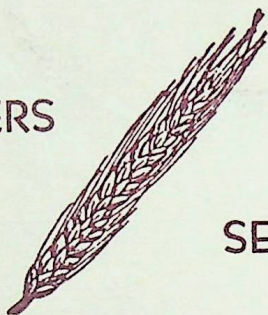


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PROCEEDINGS OF THE
35TH ANNUAL SESSION

GRAND CHAPTER
OF DELAWARE
ORDER of the EASTERN STAR

GLEANERS



SESSION

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THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION
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Gleaners Session

May 14th and 15th, 1956



RUTH M. LAWS
Worthy Grand Matron
1955 - 56



NORRIS TULL
Worthy Grand Patron
1955 - 56

SATURDAY EVENING

May 12, 1956

A banquet honoring the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers was held in the Fournier Memorial Hall, Wilmington, Delaware at 6:30 P. M.

SUNDAY EVENING

May 13, 1956

Divine Service was held in the First and Central Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, Delaware at 8:00 P. M. The evening message was given by the Reverend Willard G. Purdy.

The Informal Opening of the Grand Chapter of Delaware was called to order by the Sessions Chairman, Past Grand Matron, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, in the Gold Ball Room of the Hotel Dupont at 7:00 P. M. Monday evening, May 14th.

The room was decorated in accordance with the theme of the Session—"The Gleaners Session." A picture 6' x 10' depicting The Gleaners was surrounded with Cibotium Palms and on either side, a mannequin to represent Ruth and Naomi, one in blue and the other in yellow, each holding bunches of wheat. These were the Worthy Grand Matron's colors and also the colors of the State of Delaware.

Across the Grand East were flower boxes of yellow roses intermingled with stalks of wheat and on the north and south side of the room, pictures 6' x 10' of sheaves of wheat.

The Hospitality Committee of which Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, was chairman, escorted the distinguished guests into the room, after which the Pages, dressed in royal blue with sprays of yellow roses triangularly across their breasts, entered and formed a Guard of Honor, followed by the Junior Past Worthy Matrons and present Worthy Matrons of the subordinate chapters who wore yellow felt bonnets. They formed a human rose while the Junior Past Worthy Patrons and present Worthy Patrons, carrying large green leaves, formed a foliage circle around the rose. After forming a friendship circle of the three groups, the entire assembly sang "She's the Yellow Rose of Delaware."

The invocation was asked by Reverend Willard G. Purdy of the First and Central Presbyterian Church in Wilmington. A solo, "Whither Thou Goest," was rendered by Sister Jeanette Gutzke, Past Matron of Brandywine Chapter No. 14.

Greetings of welcome from Honorable J. Caleb Boggs, Governor of the State of Delaware, and Honorable August F. Walz, Mayor of Wilmington.

Messages of appreciation were extended by Mr. J. N. Williams from the Kutner School and Mr. L. G. Seebach for the Delaware Day School for Handicapped Children of Delaware. Also from Past Potentate Mr. W. Harrison Phillips of Nur Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., representing the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, who received gifts from the proceeds of the Summer Benefit, a project of the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star.

Greetings were received from the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Delaware, Mr. Haswell Pierce, and the speaker of the evening was Mr. John G. Leach, who spoke on Service for others, especially little children.

After the pronouncement of the benediction by Reverend Willard G. Purdy, the guests were escorted from the Grand Chapter Room and preparations were made for the Formal Opening of the evening session.

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE, P. G. Matron
Chairman of Sessions

BUSINESS SESSION

Monday, May 14 - 10.00 A. M.

Grand Chapter called to order by Sessions Chairman, Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce, P.G.M., presenting:

MRS. MARIE L. ROBERTS, P.G.M.
MR. HERBERT NEUTZE, P.G.P.

It is with much pleasure, and deep appreciation of this honor, that I welcome you to this 35th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star. Another year has passed into Star history, and this session is the review of your official gleanings, spreading sunshine and friendliness—here a little and there a little, and garnering the harvest into a sheaf of Eastern Star friendship and love from everyone with whom you have come in contact. This session is truly appropriately named . . .

GLEANERS SESSION

Sister Ruth, as I welcome you as our Worthy Grand Matron to your opening Session, I only wish it were possible for me to say it in song as you did for me when you were our grand Adah at Lewes in 1949. You are there before the Altar in person, but in my memory I can see you, oh, so plainly, beside Adah's chair as you sang for me. May I just say another "Thanks" for that memory?

Brother Norris, I cannot say you sang for me, but you did contribute to my memory book in friendship and as the husband of our Grand

Esther. I still maintain that our Grand Family was THE Grand Family of All Grand Families. You have given our order your best, and have had a wonderful year of service in our Order.

My congratulations to both of you on a successful year dedicated to the principles of our Order, and with a fraternal spirit I pledge my support to you in this session's deliberations. May it be peaceful, without discord, and rich in legislation for the benefit of our beloved order in this jurisdiction.

If I could, I would sing—as I can't, I'll just say—

*You'll soon come to the end of your wonderful year,
And you'll soon be known as a Past.
Let your heart not grieve as the East you must leave,
For this friendship and love will last.
Just remember you gave time and service too,
You also spread a love most true,
And often in memory you'll live again
This bright year in our Eastern Star.*

*'Tis the end of the year, Grand Patron, too
For soon you, too, leave the East
And we give to you and Grand Matron, true
Our best wishes to say the least.
Your Past Grands wish you good luck and joy
As onward through life you go,
All we ask from you is a thought or two,
To remember we travelled it too.*

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Welcome—Bro. C. Herbert Neutze, Past Grand Patron.

SISTER ROBERTS:

I now present to you your gavel with the wish that this session may be all that you've dreamed it would be.

The Worthy Grand Matron expressed her appreciation to the Chairman of Sessions, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, and her committee for the beautiful setting of the room.

I don't know how to thank you for your untiring efforts. I know it has taken a lot of work and a lot of thought. You have done a perfect job. Thanks a million.

RITUALISTIC OPENING

Opening Ode—"Bringing in the Sheaves."

Pledge of Allegiance—Singing National Anthem.

Roll Call of Grand Officers and Constituent Chapters.

ENTRANCE OF GRAND OFFICERS

Worthy Grand Matron	Ruth M. Laws
Worthy Grand Patron	Norris Tull
Asso. Grand Matron	Mary Bevis
Asso. Grand Patron	William Nutter
Grand Secretary	Elizabeth M. Fisher
Grand Treasurer	Sylvia M. Knox
Grand Conductress	Sarah Hoffman
Asso. Grand Conductress	Mildred Minner
Grand Lecturer	Eliza Crossland
Grand Chaplain	Eunice Tull
Grand Marshal	Helen Weldie
Grand Organist	Lanah Milbourne
Grand Adah	Florence Walls
Grand Ruth	Marian Moore
Grand Esther	Thirza Hall
Grand Martha	Virginia Moore
Grand Electa	Jennie Thompson
Grand Warder	Doris Truitt
Grand Sentinel	John Conley

Grand Trustees

J. Albert Kumpel

Pauline Davis

J. Nelson Abbott

ROLL CALL OF CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS

DELAWARE No. 1	NEWARK No. 10
MIZPAH No. 2	KENT No. 11
JULIA M. STORY No. 3	FRANKFORD No. 12
ST. JOHN'S No. 4	FIVE POINTS No. 13
ADAH No. 5	BRANDYWINE No. 14
RADIANT No. 6	VICTORY No. 15
SUSSEX No. 7	UNITY No. 16
CAESAR RODNEY No. 8	ESTHER No. 17
GEORGETOWN No. 9	LAUREL No. 18

Eighteen Chapters represented—One hundred thirty-six voting delegates.

Minutes of Grand Chapter Session 1955. Motion made by Brother J. Nelson Abbott, seconded by Brother George Ostendarp, that minutes be accepted as printed in proceedings. Motion adopted.

Grand Marshal proclaimed the Grand Chapter duly opened for the transaction of such business that may properly come before it.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Brother John Conley on the Veterans' Hospital.

Sister Ella Cleaver to assist with the Grand Secretary's work due to her automobile accident.



FRONT ROW: Jennie Thompson, Grand Electa; William F. Nutter, Associate Grand Patron; Virginia Moore, Grand Martha; Mary Bevis, Associate Grand Matron; Doris Truitt, Grand Warder; Ruth M. Laws, Worthy Grand Matron; Elizabeth M. Fisher, Grand Secretary; Norris Tull, Worthy Grand Patron; Lanah Milbourn, Grand Organist. SECOND ROW: Eunice Tull, Grand Chaplain; Florence Walls, Grand Adah; Sylvia Knox, Grand Treasurer; J. Albert Kumpel, Grand Trustee; Jonh Conley, Grand Sentinel; J. Nelson Abbott, Grand Trustee; Pauline Davis, Grand Trustee; Eliza Crossland, Grand Lecturer; Helen Weldie, Grand Marshal. BACK ROW: Marian Moore, Grand Ruth; Sarah Hoffman, Grand Conductress; Mildred Minner, Associate Grand Conductress; Thirza Hall, Grand Esther.

Sister Elvira Zeigler—Overseas needy in our State.

Sister May Payne to serve on Registration Committee due to Sister Benita Meenan being unable to be present.

Brother George Ostendarp on Examining Committee to replace Brother Robert Larrimore.

Brother Thomas Rodway made a motion that the revision of the Constitution and By-Laws be read for the first time today and second reading tomorrow and, if accepted, be printed before the next Chapter session. Motion was seconded by Brother Charles Cleaver. Motion adopted.

PARTIAL REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

18 Chapters represented.

136 Voting Delegates registered.

SUE D. CARDWELL
GORDON KYLE
MAE L. FORD

Sister Elizabeth Pierce discussed the revision of the Constitution and By-Laws in part to be continued at the afternoon's session.

ARTICLE III.

Powers and Prerogatives of the Grand Chapter

SECTION 1. This Grand Chapter declares its allegiance to the General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. It will use only the Ritual, Signet and Labyrinth promulgated by the General Grand Chapter and will conform to its Constitution and Laws and will make an annual assessment of two cents per capita for the support of the General Grand Chapter, if requested by that body to do so; but this Grand Chapter being supreme in all matters pertaining to its internal affairs, in so far as they do not conflict with Ritual, Constitution and Laws of the General Grand Chapter, has the sole right to superintend and govern all Chapters of the Order within the State of Delaware. It has the power to grant Charters, for forming and holding new Chapters, and to extend and revoke the same; to censure, or suspend Chapters; to enact laws, rules and regulations, issue edicts, and amend or appeal the same; to discipline Chapters for wilful violation or infringement of the Ritual or of the Constitution, regulations, edicts, or proprieties of this Grand Chapter; to decide appeals from subordinate Chapters or members; to assess and collect from the several constituent Chapters such fees and sums as these laws require, or as this Grand Chapter may from time to time order; and to exercise all the rights of sovereignty within the limits of its jurisdiction, subject to the Ritual and the provisions of its own Constitution. All powers not specially delegated to Subordinate Chapters are inherent in and reserved to this Grand Chapter.

The above shall not be retroactive.

Take out the following

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It will then read

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ARTICLE IV.

SECTION 2. There shall also be a Board of three Grand Instructors and a Board of three Grand Trustees.

Take out

Board of three Grand Instructors

It will then read

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SECTION 7. The first ten officers above named shall be elected annually. The Worthy Grand Matron shall appoint all other officers. The members of the first Board of Grand Trustees shall be elected for terms of one, two and three years respectively. After the first election these board members shall be elected for a three-year term.

Motion on Art. IV., Sec. 2; also Sec. 7. Made by Past Grand Matron Sister Irma LeCompte, seconded by Past Grand Patron, Brother Thomas C. Rodway, revision be accepted.

Motion carried.

SECTION 3. The membership of this Grand Chapter shall consist of the foregoing officers who hold until their successors have been elected and installed; the above Boards, all Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons who shall have presided over a duly instituted and constituted Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction, provided they are affiliated with *some* subordinate Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction, all Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons (or their legally appointed proxies), all Associate Matrons and Associate Patrons while in office who have been installed, of Chartered Chapters under this Grand Jurisdiction. The Associate Matrons and Associate Patrons cannot appoint proxies or hold office or any committee appointment in this Grand Chapter. The Worthy Matron's, Worthy Patron's (or their proxies'), Associate Matron's and Associate Patron's official characters must be certified to by their respective Chapters under seal.

Take out

some subordinate Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction

Add

the *same* subordinate Chapter over which they presided in this Jurisdiction unless same chapter is demised.

It will then read

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SECTION 8. The Worthy Grand Matron, Associate Grand Matron, Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress, Grand Secretary, Grand Lecturer and Deputy Grand Lecturer, shall not be installed as an elective officer nor hold an appointed office in this Grand Chapter until she holds a Certificate of Proficiency in Class "A". The Associate Grand Patron

also shall be required to take an examination as provided by the Grand Chapter six months prior to being installed as Worthy Grand Patron.

Motion by P. M. Sister Eliza Crossland, seconded by Past Grand Matron Sister Bessie Warrington, the revision be accepted.

Motion carried.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. The Annual Meeting of the Grand Chapter shall be held in the City of Wilmington, or at the discretion of the Worthy Grand Matron in any town or city in Delaware on the Third Monday in May at 10 A. M. for two consecutive days. If satisfactory accommodations are not available, Worthy Grand Matron may select any time within a week prior to, or following the above-mentioned date.

ARTICLE VII.

SECTION 1. Representatives or their proxies regularly appointed, of eleven subordinate Chapters under the jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter or one of the first four elective officers shall be considered to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VIII.

Election and Installation of Officers

SECTION 1. The election of Officers of the Grand Chapter shall begin at 2 o'clock P. M., Thursday of the meeting week. The election shall be by a majority vote on a separate, secret written ballot, and if there are more than three candidates for the same office, the name of the one receiving the lowest number of votes cast shall be dropped after the third ballot is announced. Blank ballots shall not be counted. If the votes tie for the two lowest candidates then all shall be voted on again, unless one candidate has received a majority of all votes cast. No nominations for candidates for office shall be made.

Change

Thursday to Tuesday

Delete

The last sentence.

Add

No member shall be allowed to enter or retire from the Grand Chapter room without permission by two-thirds vote of the members present.

Motion by Worthy Patron Bro. Edward Pelham, seconded by Past Matron Sister Ruth Stiggins, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

SECTION 2. If there are no objections presented the Grand Secretary shall cast the unanimous vote for the

Associate Grand Matron to be Worthy Grand Matron
 Associate Grand Patron to be Worthy Grand Patron
 Grand Conductress to be Associate Grand Matron
 Associate Grand Conductress to be Grand Conductress

All other elective offices shall be filled by secret ballot.

Motion by Past Grand Patron, Bro. Thos. C. Rodway, seconded by Past Grand Patron, Bro. George H. Ostendarp, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

Nominations for the elective offices shall be made by any voting delegate of this Grand Chapter representing the candidates' Chapter providing they are signed and office stated and nominee holds an "A" certificate and are placed in a container provided for same on the desk of the credential committee before 10 A. M. Tuesday of the meeting week. No nominations shall be considered from the floor of Grand Chapter.

Motion by Past Grand Matron Sister Helen C. West, seconded by Worthy Matron, Sister Rebecca Hagenbuch, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

It is not necessary for Associate Grand Patron, Grand Sentinel nor Grand Trustee to hold an "A" Certificate.

Motion by Past Matron Sister Sadie Conly seconded by Past Matron Sister Eliza Crossland this be accepted.

Motion adopted.

SECTION 5. INSTALLING PRIVILEGES. It shall be the prerogative of the Worthy Grand Matron-elect to delegate the privilege of installing the incoming Grand Officers to the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, any Past Grand Matron, or Past Grand Patron, or any general Grand Chapter Officer.

Motion by Past Grand Matron Sister Alice C. Abbott, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Helen C. West, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

ARTICLE IX.

SECTION 1. PARAGRAPH (3) She shall be a member ex-officio of the Board of Grand Instructors, and shall see that the Ritual, laws, rules and regulations of the Order are strictly enforced, and its dignity maintained under any and all circumstances.

Take out

be a member ex-officio of the Board of Grand Instructors, and shall

It will then read

(3) She shall see that the Ritual, laws, rules and regulations of the Order are strictly enforced, and its dignity maintained under any and all circumstances.

SECTION 1. PARAGRAPH (12) She may appoint such Special Deputies as in her judgment are needed for the growth and extension of the Order, or whose appointments may be required for the proper transaction of the business of the Grand Chapter, or of Subordinate Chapters, including the appointment of deputies to preside at trials, when deemed expedient by her or when requested to do so, provided such Special Deputies are voting members of this Grand Chapter. In the appointment of such Special Deputies she shall definitely prescribe their powers and duties, which shall not be in conflict with this Constitution and these laws, and their commissions shall expire after said duties have been performed. A Special Deputy may act without having a certificate from the Board of Grand Instructors except they cannot organize or instruct Chapters.

After Special Deputies add

holding an "A" certificate and delete the last sentence.

It will then read

(12) She may appoint such Special Deputies holding an "A" certificate as in her judgment are needed for the growth and extension of the Order, or whose appointments may be required for the proper transaction of the business of the Grand Chapter, or of Subordinate Chapters, including the appointment of deputies to preside at trials, when deemed expedient by her or when requested to do so, provided such Special Deputies are voting members of this Grand Chapter. In the appointment of such Special Deputies she shall definitely prescribe their powers and duties, which shall not be in conflict with this Constitution and these laws, and their commissions shall expire after said duties have been performed.

Motion by Past Matron Sister Sadie Conly, seconded by Past Matron Sister Edith Labour, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

SECTION 1. PARAGRAPH (13) She may appoint Grand Representatives for Delaware near other Grand Chapters, and recommend the appointment of Grand Representatives from other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Chapter of Delaware. The first set of Grand Representatives shall be appointed for one-third of the Grand Chapters for one year, the second set for one-third of the Grand Chapters for two years, and the third set for the last one-third of the Grand Chapters for three years and after that for a three-year term. Only voting members of this Grand Chapter are eligible to appointment as Grand Representatives.

Add

At the expiration of their commissions

• *Delete*

The first set of Grand Representatives shall be appointed for one-third of the Grand Chapters for one year, the second set for one-third of the Grand Chapters for two years, and the third set for the last one-third of the Grand Chapters for three years and after that for a three-year term.

It will then read

(13) She may appoint Grand Representatives for Delaware near other Grand Jurisdictions, and approve the appointment of Grand Representatives from other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Chapter of Delaware, at the expiration of their commissions. Only voting members of this Grand Chapter are eligible to appointment as Grand Representatives.

Motion by Past Grand Matron, Sister Helen C. West, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Alice C. Abbott, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

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Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter called from labor to recess to reconvene at 1:30 P. M.

BUSINESS SESSION

Monday Afternoon - 1:30 P. M.

Grand Chapter called to order by Sessions Chairman, Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce, P.G.M., presenting:

MRS. IRMA O. LeCOMPTE, P.G.M.
MR. THOMAS C. RODWAY, P.G.P.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron,
Sister Ruth and Brother Norris:

I am very happy to be asked to open this afternoon Session with Brother Tom.

You have fulfilled your responsibilities with honor and ability. Your interest and zeal in the work of our Order, and your sincerity have endeared you to every member in this Grand Jurisdiction.

I believe the many friends you have made through your activities will more than repay you for the work you have done.

You have exemplified the motto you have chosen—*Be Ye Kind - Forbearing and Forgiving - One Towards Another.*

May the deliberations of your Session be such that it will be looked back to with fond memories.

I extend greetings and congratulations to both of you, and again I thank you for this honor.

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth and
Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Norris:

I sincerely thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon my Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Irma, and upon me, for giving us the privilege of opening your second session.

Sister Ruth, our friendship has been over a long time and again our paths crossed in the Eastern Star. You were in our Grand Family as Grand Lecturer. It has been a real pleasure this year, on several occasions, to hear your very inspiring messages given on your official visits.

Brother Norris, I have enjoyed your messages and feel you have been a real asset to the Order of Eastern Star.

I know that you both have had a wonderful year. My sincere wish is that our friendships in the future will continue as in the past.

Let me wish for you both a happy and harmonious Session.

Again I thank you.

THOMAS C. RODWAY
Past Grand Patron

Entrance of Grand Officers.

Ritualistic Opening.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter from recess to resume labor at 1:45 P. M.

SECTION 1. PARAGRAPH 15

It now reads

(15) She shall receive no salary, but such sum as may be deemed necessary shall be appropriated at each Grand Chapter Session to defray her traveling and office expenses. She shall make an itemized report annually to the Grand Chapter of her expenses.

Delete this paragraph and add new paragraph to read

She shall receive the sum of \$150.00 to defray her expenses while in office and make an itemized report annually to the Grand Chapter.

Motion by Past Grand Matron Sister Alice Abbott, seconded by Past Matron Sister Bessie Borglin, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

SECTION 1. PARAGRAPH (19)—NEW. She shall appoint a committee of three the first meeting day of the Grand Chapter Session, two sisters

and one brother, to tabulate and present to the members of Grand Chapter the names submitted for the following offices:

Associate Grand Patron
 Grand Secretary
 Grand Treasurer
 Associate Grand Conductress
 Grand Lecturer
 Grand Sentinel
 Grand Trustee

Motion by Past Grand Matron Sister Elvira J. Zeigler, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Dora Fitzgerald, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

Worthy Grand Patron

SECTION 2. The Worthy Grand Patron shall assist and advise the Worthy Grand Matron in the discharge of her duties. He shall preside at the Grand Chapter sessions whenever called upon to do so by the Worthy Grand Matron; and in the absence of both the Worthy Grand Matron and Associate Grand Matron, he shall call the Grand Chapter to order and appoint some Past Worthy Grand Matron present to act as Worthy Grand Matron *pro tem*, preside during the election of Grand Officers and just prior to election shall read Article VIII, Section 1 in the Constitution and By-Laws, on balloting. Shall call for report of Credentials Committee and Committee on Nominations. He shall sign in conjunction with the Worthy Grand Matron all charters granted and issued to Chapters by the Grand Chapter. He shall individually issue all dispensations to institute new Chapters, and institute same either in person or by a deputy who must be a Present or Past Patron, and render all decisions for chapters while under dispensation. He shall discipline insubordinate Chapters, officers or members only with the written advice and consent of the Worthy Grand Matron. If both the Worthy Grand Matron and Associate Grand Matron are absent from the State, he shall perform the duties of the Worthy Grand Matron. He shall have a Grand Patron's seal, to consist of the badge of his office surrounded by the words, "Worthy Grand Patron of Delaware," and affix same to all official documents.

New Paragraph No. 2

He shall receive the sum of \$50.00 to defray his expenses while in office and make an itemized report annually to the Grand Chapter. He shall receive an additional \$50.00 if instituting and constituting new chapters.

Motion by Past Patron, Brother J. Nelson Abbott, seconded by Past Matron, Sister Rebecca Hagenbuch, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

SECTION 5. PARAGRAPH 9. GRAND SECRETARY.

(9) *Office*. She shall maintain a suitable office, equipped with every facility to transact the business of the Grand Chapter. The office shall be

furnished under the direction of the Grand Trustees and be conveniently located in the home city of the Grand Secretary, unless this Grand Chapter by vote shall order it to be located elsewhere. The expense of furnishing and if necessary the rent, shall be borne by this Grand Chapter.

Delete

equipped with every facility

furnishing and if necessary the rent,

Add

maintaining such office

It will then read

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Add new paragraph No. 12

The Grand Secretary shall receive for her services a salary of \$200.00 and a petty cash fund of \$150.00 Such compensation is to include the entire amount expended for services in the Grand Secretary's office during the year. She shall select a competent assistant to act as Stenographer at the Grand Chapter Session who is a member in good standing, assist in compiling the proceedings and in the absence of the Grand Secretary answer all mail and distribute supplies to the subordinate Chapters and receive for this service the sum of \$50.00 to be paid by the Grand Chapter.

Motion by Past Grand Matron, Sister Sarah E. Riggin, seconded by Past Grand Matron, Sister Lillian Larrimore, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

SECTION 6. PARAGRAPH 5. GRAND TREASURER.

(5) *SALARY.* The Grand Treasurer shall receive as full compensation for her services such sums as the Board of Grand Trustees and the Grand Chapter approve annually.

Delete

such sums as the Board of Grand Trustees and the Grand Chapter approve annually.

Add

\$25.00.

It will then read

(5) *SALARY.* The Grand Treasurer shall receive as full compensation for her services \$25.00.

Motion by Past Matron, Sister Ruth Nutter, seconded by Past Matron, Sister Isabelle Allen, revision be accepted.

Motion carried.

SECTION 8. (1) It shall be the duty of the Grand Lecturer to visit each Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction and to see that its Deputies instruct the officers and members in the correct performance of their duties.

She shall issue to any member of this Grand Jurisdiction who passes a satisfactory oral examination, a Certificate of Proficiency in two classes as follows:

(A) In the Landmarks, Opening and Closing Ceremonies, the Secret Work, Initiation as per Ritual, Constitution, Rules and Regulations and Fundamental Parliamentary Laws.

(B) Proficiency in Secret Work only.

After duties—add

She shall give all examinations

After Proficiency in—add

Ritual

It will then read

She shall give all examinations and issue to any member of this Grand Jurisdiction who passes a satisfactory oral examination a Certificate of

Proficiency in two classes as follows:

(A) Landmarks, Opening and Closing Ceremonies, Secret Work, Initiation as per Ritual, Constitution, Rules and Regulations and Fundamental Parliamentary Laws.

(B) Proficiency in Ritual and Secret Work.

Motion by Worthy Matron, Sister Emily Crossland, seconded by Past Matron Sister Ruth Steele, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON RUTH M. LAWS

WORTHY GRAND PATRON, GRAND OFFICERS AND
MEMBERS OF THIS GRAND JURISDICTION:

The Moving Hand writes, and my year of leadership will soon be written in the records of the "Book of Time".

Just one year ago, you gave my husband the privilege of installing me as your Worthy Grand Matron and presenting to me my gavel; one of the nicest things that could ever happen to anyone.

In his own way he reminded me, "This gavel is the emblem of my authority," and cautioned me in the use of it. I have tried to comply with his wishes, knowing it would first please Him whose Star we follow; secondly, it would help me to carry out our motto—"Be ye kind, forbearing and forgiving one toward another" and to be faithful to our watchword—LOYALTY.

This has been the most wonderful but shortest year, with just enough rain to make us appreciate the sunshine.

To you who have come to our session for the first time and to you who have been with us before, we extend a most cordial welcome. May the kindly smile, the friendly handclasps and the love that speaks from heart to heart make the thirty-fifth Annual Session one long to be remembered.

My record is made and now with all the tender emotions in my heart, of appreciation and love, I submit my report of this wonderful year of service, so rich in beautiful friendships and precious memories. May you find it worthy of approval.

IN MEMORIAM

Our friends go and we weep for them and move on in our work and then each of us go too and a new generation takes over; always the satisfaction must be that nothing really dies. There are always many memories to reach out to for consolation as we recall the many activities of those who have gone to their great reward.

We are so thankful that our Golden Chain of Grand Officers hasn't been severed and that there is no vacant chair in our circle of Past Grands.

We regret the passing of two of our Worthy Patrons and many of our members, also the passing of the Most Worshipful Grand Master's brother.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of those who have been called to their Heavenly Home.

*"Softly comes Life's evening twilight
Gently stealing o'er our head
Bringing after Life's stern struggles
Peace that glorifies the dead."*

OFFICIAL ACTS

One of the happiest privileges my Worthy Grand Patron and I had, was selecting the appointive Grand Officers and Committees.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS IN DELAWARE TO REPRESENT SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Arkansas	Mrs. Katherine Bradley
California	Mrs. Phoebe Sharpley

Connecticut	Mrs. Ida Lowe
District of Columbia	Mrs. Katie Boyer
Georgia	Mr. Gordon Kyle
Iowa	Mrs. Mabel Davis
Illinois	Miss Clara Smith
Manitoba	Mrs. Madeline Litchfield
Massachusetts	Mrs. Sue D. Cardwell
Nevada	Mrs. Jane Brittingham
New Jersey	Mrs. Beulah Rodway
New York	Miss Miriam Zeigler
North Dakota	Mrs. Ethel Derickson
Nova Scotia	Mrs. Ruth Stiggins
Ohio	Mrs. Callie Wood
Oklahoma	Mrs. Myrtle Shaub
Oregon	Mrs. Ann Hudson
Puerto Rico	Miss Dorothy Werner
Quebec	Mrs. Agnes Wooten
Rhode Island	Mrs. Edith McLennan
Saskatchewan	Mrs. Sylvia Knox
South Carolina	Mrs. Ida Kapp

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPROVED TO REPRESENT
DELAWARE IN SISTER JURISDICTIONS

California	Mrs. Marian J. Arnold
District of Columbia	Mrs. Della M. Twigg
Georgia	Mrs. Lee Cobble
Illinois	Mrs. Della Anderson
Kentucky	Mrs. Reeble Boggs
Nevada	Mrs. Ivy Ritter
New Mexico	Mrs. Mary Husband
New York	Mrs. Ruth Schreiber
North Carolina	Mrs. Clyde Weldin
Nova Scotia	Mrs. Dorothy Hall
Oklahoma	Mrs. Marguerite Deer
Ontario	Mrs. Gertrude Gumm
Oregon	Mrs. Dorothy Goin
Puerto Rico	Mrs. Margaret Murphy
South Carolina	Mrs. Wendell S. Brennecke
Texas	Mrs. Nora Roberson
Vermont	Mrs. Ida Gibson
Saskatchewan	Mrs. Winifred Meyers

May 25th—Met with the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons (who was also Worthy Patron and our own), Brother Horace Allen and his committee, at my home to discuss plans for the Grand Lodge Day at the Masonic Home. As Worthy Grand Matron, I had been asked to serve on this committee.

June 1st—Sent my first official letter.

June 24th—With the Worthy Grand Patron, visited a chapter from which a letter bearing the chapter seal had been received asking for consideration and advice in an unpleasant matter. This was strictly said chapter's business, so I asked all visitors to please retire. After some discussion from all concerned, the chapter closed and we felt our visit helped to restore a little peace and harmony.

Aug. 29th—Notified the Associate Grand Matron I would be out of the Jurisdiction from September 11th to Sept. 15th inclusive, attending the Triennial of General Grand Chapter.

Oct. 25th—Appointed Sister Ella Cleaver Acting Grand Secretary due to Sister Fisher's accident.

Oct. 27th—Notified Wilmington Trust Company that Sister Ella Cleaver would sign all checks until further notice.

Oct. 29th—Sent second official letter to Subordinate Chapters.

Nov. 22nd—Appointed Brother John Conley alternate representative on the Rehabilitation Committee of Veterans' Hospital to replace Brother George Ostendarp who resigned due to a very heavy schedule.

December 6th—Appointed Sister Elvira Ziegler chairman of "Overseas Needy" in our state; this is the Most Worthy Grand Matron's project.

Dec. 8th—Notified the Chairman in General Grand Chapter of the "Overseas" committee of my appointment of Sister Ziegler.

Dec. 12th—Notified the Wilmington Trust Company that the Grand Secretary, Sister Elizabeth M. Fisher, will sign all checks as of Dec. 15, 1955.

Received copies of Changes in Ritual from the Right Worthy Grand Secretary. Instructed our Grand Secretary to secure enough copies and send to each chapter so all Rituals last purchased may be corrected.

Feb. 1, 1956—Notified the Grand Secretary to supply each Chapter with another copy of the Diagram of the Labyrinth, according to instructions on same. There should be one in each chapter for the use of the Associate Patron and Conductress to share with each other.

Feb. 21st—Wrote a letter to Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Florence Plummer, in regard to having only two copies of the Secret Work in each chapter.

Her answer was: "I cannot change our Laws which provide as you quote, 2d paragraph on Pink Slip of Secret Work—however, either Worthy Patron or Associate Patron is requested to make available to the Conductress use of slip in order that she may learn work, but he is responsible for same at all times and loss of same incurs a fine."

March 26th—Third official letter to Subordinate Chapters.

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

June 4, 1955—In Masonic Temple, Newport, Delaware, in conjunction with the Grand Lecturer, a very profitable school was held for the Deputy Grand Lecturers. I was happy to have all Line Officers of the Grand Chapter present.

Aug. 2nd—Attended School for Deputies held in Georgetown under the direction of the Grand Lecturer, Sister Eliza Crossland. Again all Grand Chapter Line Officers were present. The interest shown was most inspiring.

Jan. 28, 1956—In Sussex Chapter room, Seaford, Delaware, a school was held for the eight chapters down state. There were about 105 officers of these chapters present. Different chapters taking part of the work. The interest shown is beyond words. This school started at 10:00 A. M. and lasted until 4:45 P. M. The Grand Lecturer and I were very tired but too overjoyed to notice it.

Jan. 30th—In Five Points Chapter room at 7:30 P. M. a school for the five suburban chapters was held with about 65 officers of these chapters present. This, too, was most gratifying.

Jan. 31st—In Mizpah Chapter room at 7:30 P. M. a school for the five city chapters, with about 75 officers of these chapters present, was held. There was much discussion and many questions. We were more than pleased. This is the first time schools have been held for officers of Subordinate chapters for several years. The Grand Lecturer and I worked together and we feel that the schools were profitable to all.

INSTALLATIONS

I was indeed honored when invited to install the following chapters:

Kent Chapter No. 11
 Sussex Chapter No. 7
 Victory Chapter No. 15
 Unity Chapter No. 16
 Five Points Chapter No. 13
 Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

Many thanks to these chapters for giving me this honor. I was very sorry that, due to conflicting dates, I was unable to accept the invitations to install other chapters. I was so happy to have our Worthy Grand Patron and other Grand Officers to assist me in each of these installations.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

One of the most pleasant memories of the year's work is the Honorary Memberships given to me by subordinate chapters. They are most appreciated. To be worthy of this love and confidence is beyond my expectations.

St. John's Chapter No. 4
 Adah Chapter No. 5
 Sussex Chapter No. 7
 Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
 Georgetown Chapter No. 9
 Kent Chapter No. 11
 Frankford Chapter No. 12
 Brandywine Chapter No. 14
 Victory Chapter No. 15
 Esther Chapter No. 16
 Laurel Chapter No. 18

Also from Wicomico Chapter No. 91 in Salisbury, Maryland, and from each of the Bethels of Job's Daughters No. 1, 2 and 3.

An honorary membership is a most precious and lasting gift.

JOB'S DAUGHTERS

Oct. 1955—Made an official visit to Bethel No. 2. Worthy Grand Patron and Grand Officers attended with me. I shall never forget the wonderful reception I received; also the huge bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums presented to me by the Honor Queen.

Nov. 23, 1955—Attended the constitution of Bethel No. 3. Worthy Grand Patron, Twelve Grand Officers and myself paid our official visit. I enjoyed wearing a most beautiful orchid presented to me by the Honor Queen.

Dec. 7, 1955—Made official visit to Bethel No. 1. I was thrilled to share the East with the Honor Queen and to wear a beautiful corsage presented to me. The Worthy Grand Patron and twelve Grand Officers were with me.

I was sorry not to attend the installation of the Bethels but due to conflicting dates it was impossible. My thanks to the three Bethels for invitations, gifts, flowers, and most of all for the honorary memberships.

Jan. 25, 1956—With the Worthy Grand Patron and several Grand Officers attended the institution of a new Bethel in Newark, Delaware. It was a very impressive ceremony.

April 14, 1956—Attended the institution and installation of officers of Bethel U.D.

WAIVERS OF TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION

From the Worthy Grand Matron of Maryland—

Mrs. Elaine Mary Boyce
 414 Elizabeth St.
 Delmar, Maryland

and

Robert J. Webster
202 No. State St.
Delmar, Maryland

in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Delaware.

Request granted October 31, 1955.

Mrs. Mildred Wooten
West State St.
Delmar, Maryland

in favor of Adah Chapter No. 5, Delmar, Delaware.

Request granted April 23, 1956.

Oct. 15, 1955. Waiver granted over the petition of
Mrs. Nadine H. Lynch, (nee Hickman)
Selbyville, Delaware

in favor of Holly Chapter No. 45, Berlin, Maryland.

CHECKS SIGNED

I have signed checks No. 932 to 1092.

CONTINGENT FUND

A copy of the report of my Contingent Fund has been filed with the Board of Grand Trustees.

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

Approved the proposed amendment to By-Laws of St. John's Chapter No. 4. Art. 1, Section 2—

“The stated meetings of this chapter shall be held on the first and third Thursdays of each month (except July and August and the first Thursday in September at 8:00 P. M.”

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

The following Dispensations have been granted and fee of \$1.00 sent to the Grand Secretary:

To be used on:

June 27, 1955 by Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 for the purpose of electing and installing Associate Conductress and installing a Marshal.

Sept. 8th by Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8 for the purpose of moving paraphernalia to Carrie Downey School for stated meeting at time of Grand Visitation.

Dec. 21, 1955 by Esther Chapter No. 17 for the purpose of electing an Associate Patron, Conductress and Associate Conductress.

Jan. 3, 1956 by Newark Chapter No. 10 for the purpose of electing an Associate Patron.

Jan. 17, 1956 by Brandywine Chapter No. 14 for the purpose of installing Treasurer.

Jan. 24, 1956 by Laurel Chapter No. 18 for the purpose of installing chaplain.

Jan. 25, 1956 by Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 for the purpose of installing all the incoming officers.

Feb. 2, 1956 by St. John's Chapter No. 4 for the purpose of installing Star Point Ruth.

Feb. 2, by Newark Chapter No. 10 for the purpose of installing a warder.

Feb. 3, 1956 by Georgetown Chapter No. 9 for the purpose of installing Star Point Esther.

Feb. 14, 1956 by Delaware Chapter No. 1 for the purpose of installing Sentinel.

Feb. 27, 1956 by Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 for the purpose of installing Star Point Adah.

Feb. 27, 1956 by Victory Chapter No. 15 for the purpose of installing Chaplain.

Feb. 28, 1956 by Unity Chapter No. 16 for the purpose of installing Treasurer.

March 7, 1956 by Esther Chapter No. 17 for the purpose of electing an Associate Patron and installing Associate Patron, Marshal, Adah, and Warder.

March 27th—Laurel Chapter No. 18 for the purpose of electing a Trustee.

April 5, 1956 by Sussex Chapter No. 7 for the purpose of moving paraphernalia to Mt. Olivet Church Hall for Birthday Party.

May 10th by Caesar Rodney No. 8 for the purpose of moving paraphernalia to Carrie Downey School for Birthday Party.

VETERANS' HOSPITAL

Due to the change in the Hospital's program we did not have the privilege of visiting, but we have done other things which will be reported by our Chairman, Sister Sadie Conly. I might say at this time that Sister Sadie Conly has been most faithful in the work at the V.A. Hospital. Thank you so much, Sister Sadie.

OFFICIAL VISITS

The greatest obligation of the Worthy Grand Matron in our State is her official visits to the chapters. There is a page set aside in my memory book just for these visits. I was received most cordially and as I tried to make known what I think our beautiful Order stands for, you were most attentive. I made a special effort to shake the hand of everyone present; I hope I didn't miss anyone. I feel I have made many lasting friendships. Your ceremonies, flowers and gifts and the most sincere welcomes were more than appreciated and I can honestly say it was good to have spent the evening with the officers and members of each chapter.

DATES OF OFFICIAL VISITS

June 2	Sussex Chapter No. 7
June 7	Brandywine Chapter No. 14
June 13	Victory Chapter No. 15
June 16	Newark Chapter No. 10
June 28	Unity Chapter No. 16
September 8	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
September 21	Esther Chapter No. 17
September 26	Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
September 27	Laurel Chapter No. 18
October 4	Radiant Chapter No. 6
October 5	Kent Chapter No. 11
October 7	Georgetown Chapter No. 9
October 12	Frankford Chapter No. 12
October 17	Adah Chapter No. 5
October 21	Mizpah Chapter No. 2
November 3	St. John's Chapter No. 4
November 8	Delaware Chapter No. 1
November 10	Five Points No. 13

SPECIAL OCCASIONS

I was very happy to attend the banquets and Birthday Parties of each subordinate chapter. Thank you sincerely for all these most enjoyable evenings.

June 1, 1955—I was happy to go with members of my chapter to Governor Bacon Health Center. We gave the twelve girls haircuts and permanents, after which refreshments were served. We were quite happy, knowing we had helped those less fortunate than ourselves to a little happiness.

June 2nd—I spent a most wonderful evening in Sussex Chapter when they gave a reception for our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Norris Tull, Grand Chaplain, Sister Eunice Tull, and Deputy Grand Lecturer, Sister Anna White.

June 4th—Attended Grand Lodge Day at the Masonic Home. I was so happy to serve on this committee and have a small part in the program. Thanks, Brother Masons, for my heritage.

June 9th—An evening I shall never forget when my own chapter, Five Points No. 13, honored my Grand Marshal, Sister Helen Weldie, Deputy Grand Lecturer, Sister Bertha Smith, and me with a most outstanding reception. I was most surprised and pleased when a ceremony, "The Little Notes" with music Joy Bells was given me. Another great surprise was a solo, "Whither Thou Goest I'll Go." Thank you most sincerely.

July 9th—Summer Carnival—our main project—for Crippled Children was held in the Shrine Club of Delaware. The net proceeds were about \$2,834. Thanks to the subordinate chapters for cooperation. The General Chairman will give a complete report. Thank you, Sister Elizabeth Pierce.

Oct. 30th—Attended reception given in honor of our Worthy Grand Martha—Sister Helen C. West.

Nov. 22nd—Attended Grand Esther Night in Laurel Chapter.

Dec. 19th—Attended Christmas Party for guests at Masonic Home given by Grand Officers, with the Grand Marshal, Sister Helen Weldie, chairman.

Dec. 22nd—Attended a most enjoyable Christmas Party at Caesar Rodney Chapter.

Dec. 23rd—With the Worthy Grand Patron, attended Christmas Party at the Masonic Home, given by the Directors, guests and staff. All Masonic Bodies were present.

March 7, 1956—Attended "Ruth" night at Kent Chapter No. 11.

March 18th—Attended a dinner given by Deputy Grand Lecturers at the home of Sister Elsie Conley. Due to the terrific snow storm there were only a few present. Our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Norris Tull, and his wife, Sister Eunice Tull, my husband and myself spent a very pleasant afternoon.

April 8, 1956—Attended religious service at the Masonic Home, sponsored by Grand Officers with Past Grand Patron, Brother Fred Warrington, Chairman.

April 26th—Back home, presented as Worthy Grand Matron in my own chapter for the last time. Was very happy to have my bible on the Altar and my gavel used in the East.

May 2, 1956—Attended "Esther Night" in Esther Chapter No. 17, Middletown, Delaware.

It is a wonderful feeling to know that the boundary line makes no difference to members of this beautiful Order. I was so happy to visit subordinate chapters in Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. I feel very much at home with all these folks and have made many lasting friendships.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Q. Can a brother serve as Deputy Grand Lecturer?
 A. YES. Our law does not specify a sister. However, this is entirely the prerogative of the Worthy Grand Matron.
- Q. A motion was made and carried by the members present at a stated meeting. Can the Worthy Matron instruct the secretary to disregard this motion, or hold over until the next meeting?
 A. NO. A motion carried is finished, unless the one who made the motion is willing to withdraw it. This must be done in open chapter.
- Q. Can one be elected to office if not present?
 A. YES.
- Q. Isn't it true that no one can enter or leave the chapter room during the election of officers?
 A. Only by majority vote of the chapter.
- Q. Can a prayer be made at the Altar if it is not Ritual?
 A. YES. The Altar with our open Holy Bible is the place for prayer.
- Q. Can a trustee serve as an appointed officer?
 A. Page 45 Constitution and By-Laws insert reads, "No member can be elected or appointed to fill two offices." But, since the trustee does not fill a station, is not named in the list of officers to constitute a chapter and is not installed, I see no reason why a trustee cannot fill an appointed office.
- Q. Can a person who is not a citizen petition a chapter?
 A. YES. The Order of the Eastern Star is an international organization.
- Q. I have been asked where a Past Patron of my chapter would get his vote in Grand Chapter after he affiliated with another chapter. What was the decision in the case of Brother Shinn who was a past patron of Adah Chapter and affiliated with Delaware Chapter?
 A. I cannot find any law or decision on this matter. However, I am told that Brother Shinn received his vote from Delaware Chapter as a demitted member and a Past Patron of Adah Chapter.

Questions on Funeral Ceremony

- Q. Should the officers wear long white dresses?
 A. Our Jurisdiction calls for white and since the funeral ceremony is "Ritual", I think the officers taking part should wear white. The length of the dress is optional.
- Q. Should the officers wear badges?
 A. According to the "Ritual", this is optional.
- Q. Page 143 in Ritual, paragraph 3—Does this mean all eighteen officers or only the eight who actually have a part in the ceremony?
 A. Only eight.
- Q. At the end of the prayers, should the response be given?
 A. YES. This is "Ritual."

RECOMMENDATION

Brother Larrimore has in his possession a map, which was prepared by him and Brother Joseph Maxwell, showing the boundary of each subordinate chapter's jurisdiction. So that each subordinate chapter's boundary line will be clear:

"I recommend that the incoming Worthy Grand Matron appoint a committee of three (3), to work with Brother Larrimore and Brother Maxwell to complete this map, and procure copies to be purchased by and in the possession of, each subordinate chapter as of September 1, 1956."

IN APPRECIATION

My heart is filled with gratitude as I come to the close of a year filled with blessings. I can't find words to perfectly express to the members of this Grand Chapter my sincere appreciation for your goodness to me and for the joys you have helped me experience. My year as Worthy Grand Matron has been one of happiness and satisfaction, a sacred and beautiful chapter in my life.

To our Worthy Grand Patron: Brother Norris, our associations together this year have been a most wonderful experience. You have filled your station with dignity and have been loyal to our beautiful Order. You have been most considerate and cooperative. To have you and Sister Eunice always at my right hand has been a joyous help beyond my expectations. In short, you are two wonderful people and most sincere friends.

To our Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron: Sister Mary and Brother Bill, as you move forward, you are seeking a treasure that is priceless. Take my word for it, when you find it, its worth cannot be measured. In a short time you will grace this Grand East. I wish for both of you a most happy and harmonious year. Brother Bill, thanks so much for the many nice things you and Sister Ruth have done for me this year.

To our Grand Secretary: Sister Elizabeth, to know you is to love you. Your love for all the work of our beautiful Order gives one a feeling of real satisfaction to work with you. And all of us thank God that you were spared and able to resume your duties. I can only say, Thanks a Million.

To our Grand Treasurer: Sister Sylvia, it has been so nice to have you as one of our Grand Family, and thanks for traveling with us.

To the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress: Sister Sarah and Sister Mildred, the years ahead may seem like a lifetime or only a day. Many thanks for every expression of kindness extended to me. I wish for you joy and happiness as you travel toward the Grand East.

To our Grand Lecturer: Sister Eliza, you have been most cooperative and time meant nothing to you when the work of our beautiful

Order had to be considered. It has been a real pleasure to work with you. Thanks for everything.

To our Appointed Grand Officers and Grand Sentinel: Your loyalty and sincerity is above reproach. It has been so wonderful to have you travel with us and your smiling faces have always been a source of confidence and help.

To our Committee Members: Thanks so much for serving so unselfishly and to you, Sister Elizabeth—Chairman of Sessions and Summer Benefit—you surely have given of your time and efforts untiringly. I don't know how to thank you.

To our Deputy Grand Lecturers: You are to be commended for your work in the chapters. Thanks for your interest and cooperation.

To my HOME Chapter: You have given me strength and all the things that counted highest all through the year; not the things that money can buy, but the things I hold sacred—your love, friendship and assistance.

To my family: My mother, daughter and last but not least, my husband, you have been my helping hand and my guiding light and most patient as I have left you so many times this year. I'll be home soon and thanks for everything.

To all who had a part in presenting me with my Bible, the most precious gift of all: It has traveled with me for all official visits to the Chapters and Job's Daughters. I am proud to have had the Matrons and Patrons and first three officers of each Bethel of Job's Daughters autograph my Bible. Thanks so much.

In conclusion, I feel exceedingly humble, as I have reached the end of my year's work, fearful lest I have overlooked something of importance that was expected of me, and now to every member and delegate in this 35th Grand Chapter Session—"May the Giver of all things good and true, shower His blessings down on you."

Sincerely and fraternally submitted,

RUTH M. LAWS,
Worthy Grand Matron

CORRESPONDENCE

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers and Members of the Order of the Eastern Star in Delaware,

GREETINGS:

As we start another year let us do our best to preserve the high moral and social purposes for which our Order stands.

Since prayer is the Source of all Wisdom, will you join us in this prayer for the coming year?

"Lord, as this New Year dawns, help us to put our faults away. Let us be BIG in little things. Grant us the joy that friendship brings. Keep us from selfishness and spite; help us to be wise in what is right. Grant that we may bring no tear to any eye and when our year is ended, let it be said, "We have played the friend, lived, loved and labored here and made of it a Happy year. Amen."

We accept with humility the high honor you have conferred upon us by entrusting the leadership of this Grand Chapter into our hands. We solicit your cooperation and prayers in our honors as well as our responsibilities, so that all we may do will reflect honor and glory to Him whose Star we are endeavoring to follow.

Let us remember our SUMMER BENEFIT ON JULY 9th. The more money we make on this Carnival, the more we can help those less fortunate than ourselves.

Let us not forget our V. A. Hospital and the guests at the Masonic Home.

In our Chapters let's start our meetings on time. Make them as interesting and instructive as possible.

Visit your sick and aged members.

Be ever mindful of your Obligation and above all, be conscientious toward your fellowman, in the ballot.

Please don't have entertainment on Official Visits. Try at all times to have a real social hour. This will draw your members closer together and by so doing, strengthen our Order.

We wish to bring to your careful attention the following instruction:

The petition of the Wives, Daughters, Mothers, Widows and Sisters of a Master Mason, who has only a *temporary* membership card, shall not be accepted for membership in the Order of the Eastern Star, until and when the brother holds a *permanent* card, then these petitions will be gladly received.

Will you each join us in an earnest endeavor to follow our motto:
"Be ye kind, forbearing, forgiving, one toward another at all times."

Sincerely and fraternally,

RUTH M. LAWS
Worthy Grand Matron

NORRIS A. TULL,
Worthy Grand Patron

October 29, 1955

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers and
Members of Subordinate Chapters

DEAR SISTERS AND BROTHERS:

Once again Thanksgiving is just around the corner. Let us very generously think of our friends at the Masonic Home with our Jams, Jellies and Canned Goods. Be sure to put the name of your chapter in your box or package.

Everyone is very sorry to hear of Sister Fisher's misfortune, and I do hope you have remembered her in your prayers as well as with cards. Sister Ella Cleaver has been appointed Acting Grand Secretary until Sister Fisher can resume her duties. It will help a lot if all Secretaries will be very explicit in their orders and when sending checks.

Many thanks for your cooperation. May God bless and keep all of you during this Thanksgiving Season and always.

Faternally,

RUTH M. LAWS
Worthy Grand Matron

NORRIS A. TULL
Worthy Grand Patron

January 10, 1956

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers and
Members of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware

DEAR SISTERS AND BROTHERS:

You are starting upon a New Year; Brother Norris and I wish to congratulate all the officers on their election and appointment and wish for you a most happy and prosperous year. We hope that each one will do all possible to promote the welfare and prosperity of our beautiful Order.

School of Instruction will be held January 28th at 10:00 A. M. in Sussex Chapter Room over American Store, Seaford, Delaware. This will be for Victory Chapter and *all chapters below Dover*.

On January 30th in Masonic Temple at Newport, 7:30 P. M. for Esther Chapter, Newark Chapter, Caesar Rodney, Brandywine and Five Points.

On January 31st in Junior Mechanics Hall, 907 Tatnall St., at 7:30 P.M. for Delaware No. 1, Mizpah No.2, Julia M. Story No.3, St. John's No.4, and Radiant No.6

Each group of officers will be given some part of the work to exemplify. I do hope that each Deputy and each officer will make a special effort to attend these schools of instruction, as due to changes in the Ritual, we feel it is important.

May God bless and guide you in your efforts.

Sincerely and fraternally,

RUTH M. LAWS
Worthy Grand Matron

March 26, 1956

To the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons, Officers and
Members of Subordinate Chapters in Delaware

DEAR SISTERS AND BROTHERS:

The end of a perfect year is fast drawing to a close and only with the cooperation of all you wonderful people could it be so perfect.

We are very proud of our Jurisdiction and the honor of serving you is beyond words; we can only say, "Thanks a Million."

Each chapter should have in its possession, two copies of the Diagram of the Labyrinth. Please read the instructions on the back and you will find that it is for the use of the Associate Patron and the Conductress. Since the Conductress is the only one who really uses it, we suggest that she be held responsible for it.

As you know, the Jurisprudence Committee and the Constitution and By-Laws Committee have been working very diligently revising the Constitution and By-Laws. They will start their report immediately after the Opening Monday morning, May 14th. We hope all voting delegates will be present.

Will all Committee Chairmen please be prepared to give their reports at any time during the session as all reports will be worked in so that no time will be lost.

We wish to express our appreciation of your interest and help at the time of the Summer Benefit in 1955. We sincerely hope you will give the same cooperation to our incoming Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron in their project for the handicapped in 1956.

Looking forward to meeting you at Grand Chapter Session May 14th and 15th we are,

Sincerely and fraternally,

RUTH M. LAWS
Worthy Grand Matron

NORRIS A. TULL
Worthy Grand Patron

Motion made by P.G.P. Brother Fred Warrington, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Alice M. Abbot that report be accepted and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee and recommendations complied with.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE TRIENNIAL SESSION BY THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

The greatest privilege afforded me while serving in the Grand East in 1955-56, was to represent our wonderful Order and our State at the Triennial Session.

On Sunday, September 11th, I was so happy to have Sister Ziegler and Sister Pierce, Past Grand Matrons, travel with me to Washington, and we had such a wonderful time rooming together. I regret very much having missed the Sunday service at Arlington, but we were thrilled beyond words when attending the Memorial Service. My only regret is that every member of our Beautiful Order could not be there. The speaker at the service in that great Amphitheatre was the Governor of Tennessee. Really, he should have been a Minister. His message about the "Unknown Soldier" was the most inspiring one, I think, I have ever heard. I only wish I could have taken shorthand and had the time to bring it all to you. It was wonderful!

After the service, the most wonderful thing happened. Everyone left the Amphitheatre and gathered as close to the tomb of the "Unknown Soldier" as possible, and there with just enough room to just push through the crowd. Our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth Jones, was escorted down the steps to place a huge wreath at the base of the "Unknown Soldier's" tomb. The wreath was a *Star within the pentagon, within the circle*. Then the Corporal of the Guards blew the "Taps". This was an event never to be forgotten.

From Arlington we went by bus to the Masonic Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia. We were quite disappointed as the crowd was so great it was impossible to see anything. So, we went back to the Eastern Star Temple where about 2000 people attended "Open House."

On Monday, started out to attend the breakfasts and luncheons that were held each day. It was a lot of fun and the folks were swell. Of course, in between were the sessions which were well attended. This meant many trips back and forth to the Armory, where the session was being held, and the hotel. The meetings were very different and interesting. The Informal Opening was most beautiful. If you can picture the officers dressed in a very light pink, with the escorts, pages and assistant warders, each wearing a little darker pink until the darkest was almost a rose pink, forming the Star within the Pentagon within the circle. Then the guards, who were brothers, and the assistant sentinels formed the Guard of Honor. It was really something to see and remember.

The presentation of the flags from all over the world was a sight to behold and indescribable. One would have to see it to realize just what it was like.

The reception of guests went on and on but when the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons were presented it too was a sight to behold. I think there were about eighty-five in line.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday were quite full with reports that were very interesting, then legislation, election and installing. We were very proud, indeed, to have one of our "Very Own" installed as Worthy Grand Martha—Sister Helen C. West, Past Grand Matron. This is the first floor Officer Delaware has ever had, even though we have been honored by having many Committee Members during past years. This Triennial, Brother Charles Cleaver ended his term on the Welfare Committee.

I enjoyed the banquet given for the Delegates, also the one given in honor of Sister Florence Plummer, our present Most Worthy Grand Matron.

Delaware had about one hundred sisters and brothers to attend their Triennial. There were nineteen voting delegates. There were eleven Grand Officers and six Deputy Grand Lecturers, and in the line-up we were so happy to have Sister Alice C. Abbott as an escort, Sister Elvira J. Ziegler as assistant warder, Brother Robert Larrimore as guard and Brother Nelson Abbott as assistant sentinel.

Another big thrill was meeting members of the Eastern Star from all over the world and exchanging souvenirs. Only a Worthy Grand Matron can appreciate such a thrill. It can come only once. YOU, YOU, and YOU, the Eastern Stars of Delaware, gave me this privilege—a memory that will always be with me. The souvenirs you gave me and the scarves, as you know, were beautiful and everyone wanted one of them.

The Accommodations at the Hotel Statler were wonderful and the trip to Washington and return was most enjoyable. For all of this there are no words to adequately express my appreciation. I can only say a GREAT BIG THANK YOU, from the bottom of my heart and promise this will be the most outstanding page in my memory book for the year 1955-56.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH M. LAWS
Worthy Grand Matron

Motion was made by P.G.M. Sister Sarah Riggin, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Helen West that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Solo by P.M. Sister Jacqueline Kyle, "He."

REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Worthy Grand Matron, Distinguished East,
Sisters and Brothers:

Only twelve months ago I stood before you and told you that I was then confronted with the impossible task of expressing the emotions of my

heart. I realized that this Grand Chapter had conferred upon me the highest honor within their power to bestow upon a Brother. I assumed the duties of Worthy Grand Patron aware of the duties and responsibilities incumbent upon me in the acceptance of this trust, and in all sincerity I asked Him from Whom cometh All Wisdom and Strength to so enlarge my powers to perform whatever tasks were mine, that when I returned to you that which you had committed to my care I could bring a record of my stewardship worthy of your approval, even though it be only a record of humble, but faithful service.

I have enjoyed serving as the assistant and co-worker of one so endowed with talent and charm as our Worthy Grand Matron. Her gracious manner has furnished the necessary incentive for all of us to do more for her and the Grand Chapter than she has asked. I have enjoyed visiting in the Chapters and meeting all of the Sisters and Brothers that it has been my pleasure to meet this year.

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION

I attended Schools of Instruction held for Grand Lecturers and Deputy Grand Lecturers June 4, 1955 at Newport, August 1955 at Georgetown and for the Officers of downstate Chapters at Seaford on January 28, 1956.

OFFICIAL VISITS

I attended all the Grand Visitations with the Worthy Grand Matron and the Grand Officers.

June	2	Sussex Chapter No. 7	Seaford	
	7	Brandywine Chapter No. 14	Wilmington	
	13	Victory Chapter No. 15	Dover	
	16	Newark Chapter No. 10	Newark	
	28	Unity Chapter No. 16	Lewes	
	Sept.	8	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8	New Castle
21		Esther Chapter No. 17	Middletown	
26		Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3	Wilmington	
	27	Laurel Chapter No. 18	Laurel	
	Oct.	4	Radiant Chapter No. 6	Wilmington
		5	Kent Chapter No. 11	Harrington
7		Georgetown Chapter No. 9	Georgetown	
	12	Frankford Chapter No. 12	Millville	
	17	Adah Chapter No. 5	Delmar	
	21	Mizpah Chapter No. 2	Wilmington	
Nov.	3	St. Johns Chapter No. 4	Wilmington	
	8	Delaware Chapter No. 1	Wilmington	
	10	Five Points Chapter No. 13	Newport	

HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

St. John's Chapter No. 4
Adah Chapter No. 5

Victory Chapter No. 15
Esther Chapter No. 17

Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
 Georgetown Chapter No. 9
 Kent Chapter No. 11
 Frankford Chapter No. 12
 Five Points Chapter No. 13
 Brandywine Chapter No. 14

Laurel Chapter No. 18
 Wicomico Chapter No. 91
 (Salisbury, Md.)
 Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 1
 Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 2
 Jobs Daughters Bethel No. 3

INSTALLATIONS

It was a happy privilege to assist the Worthy Grand Matron and her staff of officers to install the following Chapters:

January	
4	Kent Chapter No. 11
5	Sussex Chapter No. 7
9	Victory Chapter No. 15
10	Unity Chapter No. 16
12	Five Points Chapter No. 13
23	Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3

BANQUETS AND BIRTHDAY PARTIES

I attended all these lovely affairs.

GIFTS

I was the recipient of many wonderful gifts, and I want to take this opportunity to thank donors for their kindness and thoughtfulness to me.

WORTHY GRAND MATRON'S PROJECT

The Summer Benefit was a huge success, and I want to thank all the Chapters for a job well done for so needy a project. Also I want to thank each and every Chapter for the contribution of their Cheer Cup for the hobbies of the boys at the Veterans Hospital.

SPECIAL EVENTS

May	27	Grand Visitation at Wicomico Chapter No. 91, Salisbury, Md.
June	2	Reception for W.G.P., Sussex Chapter No. 7
	4	Masonic Home Day at Masonic Home
	9	Reception for W.G.M., Five Points Chapter No. 13
	25	Institution Bethel No. 3, Newark, Delaware
July	9	Summer Benefit at Shrine Club
Sept.	11-12	General Grand Chapter, Washington, D.C.
Oct.	12	Reception for W.G. Martha Sister Helen West at Frankford Chapter No. 12
	13	Master Masons Night at Five Points Chapter No. 13
	25	Grand Visitation, Bethel No. 2, Jobs Daughters at Newport
	29	Organist Night at Five Points Chapter No. 13
	30	Reception W.G. Martha Sister Helen West at Rehoboth

- Nov. 13 Organization meeting of Delaware Day School of Seaford for Handicapped Children
 22 Grand Esther Night at Laurel Chapter No. 18
 23 Constitution and Grand Visitation Bethel No. 3 Jobs Daughters at Newark, Del.
- Dec. 7 Grand Visitation Bethel No. 1 Jobs Daughters, Wilmington
 15 Christmas Party, Sussex Chapter No. 7
 19 Grand Officers Christmas Party at Masonic Home
 22 Christmas Party, Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
 23 Christmas Party, Masonic Home
- Feb. 16 Master Masons Night, Sussex Chapter No. 7
 26 Meeting, Delaware Day School of Seaford
- Mar. 7 Ruth Night at Kent Chapter No. 11
 21 Grand Visitation at Elkton Chapter No. 84, Elkton, Md.
- Apr. 8 Grand Officers Religious Service at Masonic Home
 9 Birthday Party, Mizpah Chapter No. 51, East New Market, Md.
 14 Institution—Wilmington Bethel U.D. at Grace Methodist Church
 23 Grand Electa Night at Victory No. 15, Dover
- May 2 Esther Night at Esther No. 17, Middletown

APPRECIATION

To the members of my home Chapter, Sussex No. 7:

My first words of appreciation must come to you, for it is through your confidence in me that this has been possible. I know there has never been a Chapter more loyal. You have planned so many lovely occasions in my honor and have been staunch in your support of me. I shall be happy to come back home and take my place among you.

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth:

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as your Worthy Grand Patron, being the co-worker of one so efficient and capable has placed very little responsibility on me. You have served successfully and efficiently and it has been a great pleasure to me to share the East with you. Eunice and I will always treasure the memories of happy associations with you and your Grand Husband, Pierce.

To the Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron, Sister Mary and Brother Bill:

In a few short hours the mantle of responsibility and authority which we have worn for the past twelve months will be lifted from our shoulders and placed upon yours. May the weight of that mantle be light and the joy in your hearts be great, as you move forward into your term of willing and faithful service to our order. May we leave this wish for you —

*"A bird at your window to sing you a song,
A rose in your garden to bloom the day long,
A rainbow of hope that brings comfort and cheer,
A star in the sky when shadows appear,
The smiles of friends who are loyal and true,
May these be the joys each day holds for you.*

To the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons:

Your devotion and faithfulness to the order through the years has inspired me to carry on my duties to the best of my ability. You have set a high standard and it is my hope that my activities have met your approval.

To the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer,
Sister Elizabeth and Sister Sylvia:

Thank you for your many kindnesses all this year. They have done much to help me on my way.

To the other elective Grand Officers:

*May you find a cheery pathway
Up the hill of service steep
Ever journeying on in gladness
In love rich and complete.
Sunshine bless you as you travel
Flowers make your way more fair
And when you reach the summit
Find the joys that wait you there.*

To the Appointive Grand Officers:

We part as a Grand Family. I have no regrets that I found you and I hope you have not. Peace and Harmony have prevailed. Thank you for your loyalty, co-operation and service. To pay you the tribute you deserve would require more eloquence than I possess. The deepest thoughts have no words at all.

*I like to think of you my own
As the dearest pals I have ever known;
As jolly pals when all was gay
As tender pals when things were gray;
As patient pals when things went wrong
As pals who helped their pal along;
As winsome pals so sweet and kind
Each day new charms in you I find;
And day by day you've grown more dear
As you've become pals of my heart to me this year.*

To my wife Eunice, Grand Chaplain:

For her counsel and untiring efforts to make my year a happy and successful one, I owe an everlasting debt of gratitude. She has accompanied me at all times, and all the pleasure that was mine this year I gladly shared with her.

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that on a petition for membership in the Order of Eastern Star the Masonic affiliation must hold a regular Masonic year card.

CONCLUSION

In a few short hours another Grand Chapter year will have become history. The dawn of a new year lies just ahead. Whether our year has been one of success or failure is for you to judge. I have given my best and the best has come back to me in the friendship of you and you and you.

Fraternally submitted,

NORRIS A. TULL
Worthy Grand Patron

It was moved by Brother J. Nelson Abbott, seconded by Brother Fred Warrington, report be received and referred to Jurisprudence Committee.

Motion adopted.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter from labor to recess until 8 P. M.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEES. The Worthy Grand Matron shall immediately after the opening of the Grand Chapter fill all vacancies and announce the following standing committees:

- (1) Credentials
- (2) Unfinished Business
- (3) Chapters Under Dispensation and Charters
- (4) Jurisprudence
- (5) Grievances and Appeals
- (6) Necrology
- (7) Constitution and By-Laws
- (8) Registration

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Duties of Committees

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10:00 A. M. to 9:00 A. M. *Change*

Last sentence. *Delete*

It will then read

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SECTION 8. NEW. Duties of the Registration Committee. The Committee on Registration shall meet at 9:00 A. M. on the opening day of Grand Chapter. They shall register all non-voting members from this jurisdiction and all visitors from sister jurisdictions and in cooperation with the credentials committee distribute programs.

Motion by Past Grand Matron Sister Lillian Larrimore, seconded by Past Grand Matron Sister Irma LeCompte, revision be accepted.

Motion carried.

RULES & REGULATIONS GOVERNING SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. PARAGRAPH (3) Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Worthy Matron and such business as trials, conferring of degrees, installation of officers, funerals, and memorial services or ceremonies and observances, shall be transacted; due notice having been given to all resident members in a written "call" which shall state the purpose or purposes of the special meeting. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting other than that specified in the "call". No Chapter shall be convened on Sunday except for funeral or memorial services.

Motion by Past Matron Sister Elsie Conly, seconded by Past Grand Matron Sister Lillian Larrimore, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

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No member may be elected or appointed to fill two offices at the same time, in a Subordinate Chapter.

Motion by Worthy Matron Sister Rebecca Hagenbuch, seconded by Worthy Patron Bro. Edward Pelham, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

SECTION 22. FORMER MEMBERS. Former members of demised Chapters, either chartered or under dispensation, who were in good standing at time of demise may secure Grand Demits from the Grand Secretary upon payment of \$1.00 each, and furnishing proof of such good standing. Former members of demised Chapters who stood suspended for non-payment of dues at time of demise, may secure Grand Demits from the Grand Secretary upon the payment of \$5.00 each, and furnishing satisfactory proof of former membership. Such persons may affiliate with any Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction within one year from the date of demit. No demit shall be considered legal unless countersigned in the handwriting of the holder. There is no time limit to a demit issued by a Subordinate Chapter.

Motion by Worthy Matron Sister Beatrice Gilbert, seconded by Past Grand Patron Bro. Fred Warrington, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

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Every applicant for affiliation shall visit a Chapter before presenting a petition for membership therein.

Motion by Worthy Matron Sister Beatrice Gilbert, seconded by Past Grand Patron Bro. Fred Warrington, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

SECTION 39. SECRETARY. The Secretary shall keep a correct record of the meetings of the Chapter, collect all moneys due the Chapter and pay the same to the Treasurer; shall notify the Secretaries of Chapters with concurrent jurisdiction of all applications for degrees and all rejections for degrees, and perform all the duties pertaining to the Secretary's office. The Secretary shall forward the returns of the Chapter to the Grand Secretary on or before the fifteenth day of February of each year. A failure to do this will forfeit the vote of such Chapter in the Grand Chapter unless excused by a two-thirds vote.

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Motion by Past Grand Patron Bro. Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by Past Grand Patron Bro. Fred Warrington, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

SECTION 48. NUMBER OF CANDIDATES TO BE INITIATED. Not more than six (6) candidates can be initiated in one class, but as many classes as desired by the Chapter may be initiated at the same meeting. The Ritualistic ceremony of the Initiation must be given to each class separately up to the Worthy Patron's lecture, when the class may be seated, and later finish with all the candidates initiated at that meeting.

SECTION 48. NUMBER OF CANDIDATES TO BE INITIATED. Not more than six (6) candidates can be initiated at any stated or special meeting.

Motion by Past Grand Patron Bro. Charles V. Cleaver, seconded by Past Grand Patron Bro. Fred Warrington, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

Ballot

SECTION 57. HOW CONDUCTED. The Ballot upon petitions for degrees, affiliation or demits, can only be taken at a stated meeting. Every member of the Chapter present at a meeting where a ballot is taken must vote unless physically unable to do so, when she or he may be excused by unanimous consent of the Chapter. Members are not allowed to retire during the ballot unless excused by the presiding officer.

Motion by Past Grand Matron Sister Sara S. MacNamee, seconded by Past Grand Matron Sister Alice C. Abbott, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

The Associate Conductress shall have charge of the ballot box under the direction of the presiding officer. She shall carry it to every member present, or may place it on the Altar as directed. No discussion of a candidate shall be allowed in open Chapter. Every candidate must be elected by a separate ballot. Petitions for initiations and affiliations cannot be balloted on together.

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Delete Pages No. 58 and No. 59

Motion by Past Matron Sister Bessie Miles, seconded by Worthy Matron Sister Pauline Sheaffer, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

SECTION 62. OBJECTION. A person who has been elected to take the degrees can be stopped by a member of the Chapter filing an oral or written objection with the Worthy Matron, who announces to the Chapter that objection has been made. The Secretary records same in the minutes. The Worthy Matron shall not reveal the name of the objector nor the reasons given.

Motion by Past Matron Sister Bessie Miles, seconded by Past Matron Sister Ruth Steele, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

NEW SECTION

No objection can be filed against a petitioner after petitioner has received the decision of the ballot.

Motion by Brother Robert Wyatt, seconded by Brother Edward Pelham, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

REC. No. 94. We suggest that the word *not be deleted*.

Thus reading

Members appointed on the Investigating Committee, should visit the petitioner if they so desire. An investigation should be made thoroughly and discreetly and more or less secretly.

Motion by Past Matron Sister Ruth Stiggins, seconded by Past Matron Sister Ethel Derickson, revision be accepted.

Motion adopted.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In some of the Chapters in this jurisdiction dues are paid in advance, while other Chapters are always in arrears one (1) year. We recommend this be made uniform, that all members pay their dues in advance.

Motion by Past Matron Sister Emily Crossland, seconded by Past Matron Sister Ruth Steele, recommendation be complied with.

Motion adopted.

Motion by Past Grand Matron Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, seconded by Past Grand Patron Brother Thomas C. Rodway, that this report on Revision of Constitution and By-Laws be accepted for the first reading.

Motion adopted.

Past Grand Matron Sister Alice C. Abbott suggested a rising vote of thanks be given the Committee who had worked so diligently on the Revision of the Constitution and By-Laws.

Rising vote given.

Monday Evening - 7:00 P. M.

INFORMAL OPENING

Called to order by Sessions Chairman, Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce, P.G.M.

Escorting of Distinguished guests.

ENTRANCE OF FLAGS—

American Flag carried by Mr. Wm. Hall
 Christian Flag carried by Mr. Levin Lowe
 State Flag carried by Mr. Ross Lanius
 Eastern Star Flag carried by Mr. Robert Major

ENTRANCE OF

Junior Past Matrons and Patrons
 Present Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons
 Pages

INVOCATION—Rev. Willard G. Purdy

SOLO—“*Whither Thou Goest I Will Go*”—Mrs. Jeanette Gutzke

GREETINGS

His Excellency, CALEB J. BOGGS, Governor of Delaware
 Introduced by P.G.M. Sister Alice C. Abbott

Worthy Grand Matron, Your Honor, the Mayor, Distinguished
 Guests, Members and Guests of Eastern Star:

It is a great honor and a privilege to be here on this 35th Annual Session and to bring greetings of the State of Delaware to all of you. We are proud of the State of Delaware and our Way of Life and our type of Government in this Country and people like you who make up the Grand Order of the Eastern Star.

The character of our people in this Country and in our State is something to be proud of. Our forefathers had the courage to come here and make many sacrifices to make their Way of Life according to their abilities. We have persevered and have developed it and our Way of Life is becoming better and we have achieved a higher standard of living; our churches, our schools, our libraries. And our people have improved in health. We look at our industries, our agriculture making strides forward. We look at our youth and we think of the opportunities that are theirs in

the days ahead. Each of us can do our best to make the American Way of Life ever stronger and with the high ideals of the Order of the Eastern Star we have a contribution that will make the Way of Life something to be proud of and to be grateful for.

On behalf of the State of Delaware I want to assure you that your Grand Organization and each of your members, by being a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the ideals you stand for, are ever strengthening our Way of Life. I am proud to be here and congratulate you and extend to your Order and to each of you, a wish for happiness, good health, and success over the days ahead. Thank you very much.

WELCOME TO WILMINGTON

His Honor, The Mayor, MR. AUGUST F. WALZ

Worthy Grand Master, Worthy Grand Patron, Your Excellency,
the Governor, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Needless to say, I deem it a distinct privilege and pleasure to again have the pleasure of greeting the Grand Chapter of Delaware Order of the Eastern Star in our city, particularly on this 35th annual session. I have had this pleasure in the past and it is again a pleasing opportunity. I can only reiterate the remarks our Governor has made about the important part the Order is playing in our city and our state at present and in the years to come. We of Wilmington are more than pleased that you have chosen our city in which to hold your Session. It gives us an opportunity of expressing to you our appreciation for the fine contributions you make to the improvement of our community. We are indebted to you for that and for the high ideals you encourage in our youth and those with whom you come in contact.

On behalf of the City of Wilmington and for myself I extend warm congratulations on this warm evening. May I say Good Luck to all of you.

REMARKS

Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, A.F. & A.M.

MR. HASWELL PIERCE

Introduced by Brother Fred Warrington

Brother Warrington, Chairman Abbott:

Your Brother Norris Tull is one of the officers of my official staff. He didn't tell me that he was a part of this. I can readily see that this 35 year old group is what you might expect.

The costumes making up the yellow rose for the active head of your organization are very beautiful.

Last year in June we had a big day at Masonic Home. A great many of your Eastern Star folks were there. I am sure that Brother

Horace Allen has told you that the second day of June we will have another Masonic Day and we hope many of you will be there.

In the words of Emerson, "There comes a time in the life of a man when it is so dark the sun is hidden; last week it was cold; today the moon is just a small figment, next week it will be in full glory and after a while we will have no moon at all but the star is always there. We can then see the Southern Cross, the two dippers—one of those dippers points to the north star which has guided men since the earliest history—and I say to you as long as there is a God in heaven and a man on earth so a Star will be an inspiration to men.

PRESENTATION OF

Past Potentate of Nur Temple, MR. W. HARRISON PHILLIPS

Member of Board of Directors

Mrs. Pierce, Distinguished Guests, Beautiful Ladies:

It gives me great pleasure and it is a great privilege to extend to your group on behalf of Nur Temple our thanks for your contribution to our hospital work for little children.

Last summer I stopped at the Shrine Club and you were having what looked to me like an old-fashioned fair. I hated to leave for I love to eat. I would like to ask how many of you here have ever visited the Crippled Children's Hospital in Philadelphia, or anywhere else. If you have the opportunity of visiting the hospital you will be very welcome. They will show you and explain to you some of the things that are being done for these children. Last year at the Potentates Ball you presented us with a gift of \$1300 which was turned over to Nur Temple and I understand the other half of the proceeds from your affair at the Shrine Club was given to other charitable organizations in and around Wilmington. I want to thank you on behalf of Nur Temple and hope I can be there this year. Keep up the good work.

REMARKS

MR. JAMES W. WILLIAMS of the Kutner School

I feel deeply honored to be here before this group for the second time within a two-year period to express the gratitude of the children for the help you have given to the organization in the operation of the Kutner School. It is through the interest of good people like you that they are progressing—and progressing so rapidly. Through the foundation which you have helped us lay we are on the threshold of a forward surge for assuming a responsibility for this part of our society for many years. We appreciate your help. We now serve the needs of 40 children, there are 1000 of them who are not receiving any help. I represent 40 children who cannot speak for themselves. Drop into the school any day and see the expressive faces of children who are doing constructive things.

MR. L. G. SEEBACH, Director, Delaware School for Handicapped, Inc.

Distinguished Guests:

As a Director of the Delaware Day School I bring you greetings and sincere thanks for the wonderful contributions—not only this year but previous years—you have given to the children of the School. You have made it possible for these children to receive speech therapy, and physical therapy. Your gifts have started a workshop in wood work and metal work. This class has been in operation since last fall. You have also made a contribution to the school at Seaford. This was the first school for children in Seaford and one is forming in Kent County and your check was the first contribution. Please come to see the children and we thank you for them.

ADDRESS — MR. JOHN G. LEACH

Governor Boggs, Mayor Walz, Ladies and Gentlemen:

It has been very inspiring here today to hear the comments from your hearts that are full of gratitude. I am reminded that a year has passed by since I spoke at the banquet. I am pleased with the messages I have heard here this evening. We should always remember that as the years roll by we have advantages that we do not take advantage of and we do not have them the second time. It has been said, "A man is hopeless who thinks only of himself." Your organization is built upon service to others. You have aided the Kutner School and the Delaware Day School. The boundary lines are extending—there is a tremendous growth in this area. There will be little boys and girls who are emotionally disturbed; children who will be physically handicapped. There will be boys and girls who will have what we call mental troubles. I cannot help but think that you have given to the mothers and fathers of those children the great star of hope. You have been the good samaritan. Where others have passed them by we have found a way to take care of those who can learn. We have had an opportunity to take care of emotionally and socially disturbed children, but for a long time nothing was done for these children who could not learn from books and the necessary things in education.

We are taking care of our physically handicapped. We also have to think about the blind. There are more and more blind "Premies" or prematurely born babies. We have 42 blind babies in this state. We have this wonderful institution for blind babies. We must start very early in their lives—they must have the opportunity of socialization at a very early age. With the mentally retarded child: they have been hard for us to take care of. There are many children in this state who should be in training day school; they need the love and training of mothers and fathers but must have day schools where they can go. Many of them have many more capabilities than we give them credit for. So, in these two schools where teachers with love in their hearts and understanding of these children preside, they are accomplishing miraculous things in the way of learning and they can feel they are getting the best possible training instead of being hidden away from society. What you have given is

not only money but you have given hope and faith. Where hope is gone the man is dead and where faith is gone life is not worth while. You have been pioneers because by your gifts others have said, "We shall do likewise," and others have combined their efforts to help this good cause.

I am happy to be on the platform with our Governor. His sense of dedication is one that every mother and father can understand. We understand the anxiety they have. When a perfectly normal child can't do certain things at the age of 10 or 11 you get concerned. Think, then, of the tremendous burden of worry and anxiety when a mother begins to feel that her child cannot learn like other children. You have rendered a great service to that mother and father of these children.

I remember Brandywine Chapter and Five Points. I can't recall all of them but my mother was a member of Caesar Rodney No. 8. It is a wonderful state in which you live and such service as you render helps many people. Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my children you have done it unto Me.

At this time Worthy Grand Matron introduced her mother, Mrs. Mary Reynolds, her daughter, Ruth Ellen, and husband, Brother Pierce Laws.

I want to welcome them at this time because they have to leave. My husband will be able to stay but I wanted to introduce them all at one time. I would love to have you give them a good round of applause. I am so happy to have you here tonight. I hope, Mother, that I haven't seemed to forget you in this busy year of my life. To my daughter, Ruth Ellen, I have leaned on you for a lot of things and I appreciate your love and your help. I am so happy you are here. Last, but not least—to My Sweetheart, my standby, my leaning post—the one who listens to all my woes (somebody back here says "AMEN"). I would not know how to act if he were not by my side. . . . This is my family—just three of them.

Benediction—Rev. Willard G. Purdy.

Monday Evening - 8:00 P. M.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Grand Chapter called to order by Sessions Chairman Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce presenting Sister Lillian Larrimore, P.G.M., and Brother George Ostendarp, P.G.P., who opened the evening session.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron:

Little by little; an hour, a day, and another year has passed to bring us to Grand Chapter time again. It is with pleasure that Bro. George and I accept the honor, so graciously accorded us, to extend our sincere greetings and bid you, and your staff of Grand Officers, a most cordial welcome to this evening's session.

How wonderful to meet again, to claps hands, and say, "Hello" to our Eastern Star friends. How important to recognize the privilege that is ours!

You both have completed a successful and wonderful year, and we are proud of your many achievements. Having gathered "here a little and there a little" you have reaped a bountiful harvest, and during this session will render an account of your gleanings.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, may God's sunshine brighten your journey through life, and may it always remind you of the service and happiness you have given others during your official year. You have given your best; may the best come back to you.

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Thank you! Worthy Grand Matron, it is with pleasure that I present to you this gavel, an emblem of service, and with it goes my sincere good wishes that your Gleaner Session may be one of the very best Grand Chapter Sessions.

WELCOME

Past Grand Patron BRO. GEORGE H. OSTENDARP

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Sister Ruth and Brother Norris:

Sister Lillian and I are most grateful to you and Brother Norris for this distinct honor of welcoming you to this, our 35th Grand Chapter Session.

We have a rare privilege today to meet in the Gleaners Session as we recall the faithfulness and devotion of Ruth to Naomi as you and the Worthy Grand Patron have been throughout your year to the members of our Great Eastern Star throughout the State and when your year is over you will find welcoming hands to greet you.

We have watched your service to our Order this year with pride. Your work has been well done and your zeal and sincerity are a credit to you and to every member of the Eastern Star. We are proud of you and feel that your Grand Chapter Session will be a satisfying climax to your most successful year.

OPENING CEREMONY

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter from recess to resume labor.

TRIBUTE TO THE FLAGS BY THE GRAND MARSHAL

Sister HELEN WELDIE

American Flag—carried by P. P. Wm. Hall

“Old Glory”, the banner of hope and freedom, a symbol of national unity which stands for the tolerance of all men, of all races and all creeds.

You are ours by inheritance, by allegiance, and by affection.

As long as we Americans keep the covenants of God and treasure the priceless privileges of freedom; as long as the principles of truth, justice and charity remain deeply rooted in the hearts of the people of this great nation, this flag shall continue to be the enduring banner of the United States of America.

Christian Flag—carried by P.P. Levin Lowe

The only flag that is permitted to fly above “Old Glory” is the Christian Flag which is a symbol of devotion.

From the square of blue with its cross of red we garner the power of faith to live in a Christian way, for its rays of truth and light teach us to be thoughtful, helpful, patient, and to do kind deeds wherever we may. These are the only true acts of brotherly love and devotion.

May the teachings of this flag be felt throughout our land and all our acts be guided by God’s unfailing hand.

State Flag—carried by P.P. Ross Lanus

Flag of our state, we are proud to pay honorable respect to you. A symbol of deep meaning, a beacon of light to welcome all who stand for freedom and righteousness.

This state flag holds her place among other loved and respected emblems of security. We know it will wave in majestic beauty among these other treasured banners here.

So let us who live in the hills and vales of New Castle, the woodlands of Kent, the gardens of Sussex, ever pledge our faith to this flag of Delaware.

Eastern Star Flag—carried by P.P. Robert Major

We pay tribute to our beautiful Eastern Star Flag, a symbol of charity, truth and loving kindness whose colors are dedicated to the virtues of our five distinguished heroines.

May we be constantly reminded of the principles of our Order that were inspired from the living fountain of all knowledge, wisdom, and understanding.

May His star ever be our guide and help us to live a reverent life.

As long as the sun from the heavens shines may these four flags continue to occupy their place in this Grand Chapter.

Pledge of Allegiance

Singing “National Anthem”

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

MRS. VERA ELLIS, W.M., Five Points Chapter No. 13

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

It is indeed a real pleasure for me to have the privilege of extending greetings. I want to extend to each of you a most cordial welcome to this, our 35th Annual Grand Session. Our Worthy Grand Matron has named this "The Gleaners Session." I trust that throughout this Session we will gather knowledge, renew friendship and be drawn closer together by a fraternal love and when we have finished and leave here we will feel that we are better able to obey the demand of honor and justice as taught by the beautiful story of the humble gleaner, Ruth. Worthy Grand Matron, I want to thank you for allowing me the honor of taking part in your Grand Session and may I wish for you and Brother Norris all the nice things that are your due.

RESPONSE TO WELCOME

MRS. MARY BEVIS, Associate Grand Matron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, General Grand
Chapter Officers, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

It is indeed an honor and privilege on behalf of the members of the Order of the Eastern Star to respond to the gracious welcome so well expressed by Sister Ellis. We are happy to be here, and to accept the generous hospitality which greets us on every hand.

To many of us, this Grand Chapter Session means another reunion, and the making of new friendships; for others, it affords an opportunity to become better acquainted with the government of our Order. To all of us, it means the renewal of interest, and a greater zeal for the work.

As we deliberate and legislate, let us remember that our acts should be directed for the good of all. Let us remember to acknowledge Him in all our ways, and He will direct our paths.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron, for the privilege of responding to this Welcome, and I wish for you and the Worthy Grand Patron a happy and harmonious Grand Session.

Welcome extended to guests, members and visitors by Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron.

Please make yourselves at home and when you leave our "Gleaner" Session I hope you will feel you have gleaned something worthwhile.

WELCOME BY WORTHY GRAND PATRON

It gives me genuine pleasure to extend to all who are assembled here a warm fraternal welcome to this, our Thirty-fifth Annual Session. We

are met to review the events of the past year and to enact legislation for the future. Let us take an active part, remembering that the action of this Grand Chapter concerns each individual member. May we be guided by the true spirit of love.

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS
ADDRESSES OF WELCOME

TO GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS

By Worthy Grand Matron—

Sister Mildred Johnson, Worthy Grand Esther,
Sister Helen West, Worthy Grand Martha:

It is with great pride I welcome you to the 35th session of our Grand Chapter in Delaware. You are most distinguished and we are proud to have you visit us.

Sister Helen (our very own), I am honored to be the first to welcome you in your own Grand Chapter. We all hope your three-year term will be a most happy page in your Memory Book.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

The word welcome is a lovely word. It is derived from two words meaning just what we say, well come—to come well, to be admitted willingly, to be received kindly. I am sure that is the spirit in which we renew our friendships made in the past. That is the spirit inculcated in the motto that we “love one another.”

TO GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

By Worthy Grand Matron—

Welcome to our beautiful “Blue Hen” State. We are so happy to have you and do come see us again.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

To welcome you to this Grand Chapter Session is a privilege I am happy to have. I greet you most cordially and extend to you the appreciation of our members for your presence here. We hope you will like us so well you will want to come back again.

TO WORTHY GRAND MATRONS AND WORTHY GRAND PATRONS

By Worthy Grand Matron—

Welcome Co-Workers from Sister Grand Jurisdictions. How wonderful to know that it takes more than miles to keep our fraternal sisters and brothers apart. I am so glad you came and I hope the remainder of your term in the Grand East will be all that you wish for.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

We are indeed most happy to have you with us at our Gleaners Session. May each moment spent in our Grand Chapter Session be an inspiration to you and when you go on your homeward way, may your parting words be,

“I’m so pleased to have met you and I’ve enjoyed every minute of my stay.

We’ve had such a grand time together, we’ll not forget it for many a day.”

TO PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS
OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS

By Worthy Grand Matron—

You, as Past Grands, have given much time and energy to your respective jurisdictions in promoting the good work of our Order. You are an inspiration to all and there is love in our hearts as we greet you. Thanks for coming.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

One of the privileges that comes to us is that of welcoming the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of other jurisdictions. Some of you have been with us at other Grand Chapter Sessions. I extend to all of you a warm welcome and I hope your stay with us will bring you the same pleasure that it is for us to welcome you here.

TO PAST GRAND MATRONS AND PAST GRAND PATRONS OF DELAWARE

By Worthy Grand Matron—

It is a thrill for me to welcome you to your own Grand Chapter, for it was by your efforts the strong foundation of our beautiful Order was laid in Delaware; within thirty-five years we have reached the high standards of today. In a few short hours we will join you and do all in our power to live up to your expectations.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

I greet you not as guests but as friends, sisters and brothers, meeting as one great family. We want you to enjoy every minute of this session and take home the joyful memories of our associations here. May you find in every handclasp a welcome, fraternal and sincere, and may we prove these words of welcome, every minute you are here.

Response to welcome by Mrs. Sara S. MacNamee, P.G.M., and Brother Robert Larrimore, P.G.P.

TO GRAND OFFICERS OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS

By Worthy Grand Matron—

Sisters and Brothers, I am indeed happy to greet you this evening. This is one of the times we are thankful for "The Tie That Binds."

By Worthy Grand Patron—

My Sisters and Brothers, we are indeed happy to have you with us and hope that your visit will be most pleasant. The sweetness and joy of delightful associations and beneficial contacts, though brief and vanishing, will leave their imprint on each heart. We welcome you once, we welcome you twice, we welcome you with all our hearts.

TO GRAND TRUSTEES

By Worthy Grand Matron—

I am honored to welcome you to our "Gleaner" session and hope this will be another memorable page in your Memory Book.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

It is an honor and a pleasure for me to welcome you here tonight. Your distinguished service entitles you to the esteem we are pleased to accord you. We extend you our good wishes and our warmest hospitality.

Response by Brother J. Albert Kumpel, P.G.P.

TO DEPUTY GRAND LECTURERS

By Worthy Grand Matron—

You are my "Girls." I extend to each of you a fraternal love and a most cordial welcome. You have been loyal to each chapter and to us. It was always a thrill to have you attend Official Visits and most of you made every one.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to our 35th Grand Chapter Sessions. You have all done a marvelous job in teaching the ritualistic work of our order. We know that throughout the year you have enjoyed promoting the principles of our order.

Response—Mrs. Rita Wilkinson.

It is a personal pleasure to have the privilege of responding to your most gracious welcome to the Deputy Grand Lecturers.

We appreciate the confidence placed in us and have found much satisfaction and happiness in service to our respective Chapters. We have tried to give instruction in a sincere and earnest manner; ever striving for perfection and uniformity in the work of our beautiful Order.

Thanks, Worthy Grand Matron, for extending to me this honor and we wish for you a very successful and harmonious session.

TO WORTHY MATRONS AND WORTHY PATRONS OF 1955

By Worthy Grand Matron—

I am so happy to see so many of you here. Your year of gleaning ended a short time ago, but a wonderful year it was. You received us with all the love and friendliness possible. Thank you so much.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1955 as I look into your faces I am reminded of the happy hours I spent in your Chapter Rooms and the gracious welcomes you gave us. I see a panorama of beautifully decorated halls and banquet rooms and beautiful gifts. As I express my appreciation to you, I value your friendship, for you have been friends worth while.

Response—Mrs. Jane Livermore, P.M. Five Points Chapter No. 13.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Sisters and Brothers:

To those who stand before you now was given the great privilege of welcoming and greeting you and your grand staff upon the occasion of your Official Visit to each of our several Chapters.

We are privileged again to be welcomed and greeted by you in this, your Grand Session of 1956.

We have been most proud of you both this past year, and count it an honor to have served under your most gracious leadership.

It is our sincere desire that this Grand Session be successful, and one of your proudest memories.

As you enter the ranks of those who have served in the Grand East may you continue to be "Grand" people, and forever hold His Star before you as those who founded this beautiful order intended.

Sister Ruth, as the Junior Past Matron of your own dearly beloved Five Points Chapter, thank you for the many courtesies extended to me, and especially for the honor of responding to your gracious welcome.

Response—Mr. Edgar Bradley, P.M. Sussex Chapter No. 7

TO WORTHY MATRONS AND WORTHY PATRONS OF 1956

By Worthy Grand Matron—

To you I extend a welcome full of fraternal love. Your untiring effort in making our banquet and this session a huge success is more than appreciated.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

*Isn't it great to be a Worthy Matron
And in the East to stand
At your left a Worthy Patron
And a gavel in your hand.
You will do your duties faithfully
And find it is worth while
That to serve with honors and with pride
Our Order, you must smile.*

It is up to you, now, to carry high the torch of service passed on to you by your predecessors, to keep peace and harmony in your chapters, and to keep the Grand Chapter prosperous. It is a pleasure to welcome you here.

Response—Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds, W.M. Esther Chapter No. 17

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

In behalf of the Worthy Matrons of 1956, it is a pleasure to respond to your most gracious words of welcome.

We are so very glad to have had the privilege of serving under your guidance this year.

*Your friendship through this year has been,
A priceless thing of joy to us;
A golden chain that time has forged,
Each link a joyous thought.*

I am certain that all those who are visiting your Grand Session will find their Gleanings numerous.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, I wish to thank you sincerely for extending to me the honor and privilege of responding to your welcome.

We wish for you both a very successful Gleaners Session.

Response: Michael D'Angelo, W.P. Newark No. 10.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
and Distinguished Guests:

It is an honor and privilege to respond, for the worthy patrons of 1956, to your most cordial welcome.

During the past year you have given inspiration, leadership, guidance and devotion to our Order and chapters.

I trust your year in the Grand East will always be one to remember.

We wish many years of happiness, and good health to you and your officers.

TO GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

By Worthy Grand Matron—

Grand Chapter committee members, please stand.

You are the unseen and unsung heroes and heroines, but we can't do without you. When asked to serve, you accept without hesitation, not knowing how much work has to be done, but you have happily done a good job. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

I am very happily to extend a most cordial welcome. We are grateful for the service you have given our Order this year, and it is an inspiration to have you with us. We hope this occasion will be one which you will long remember, for we will do our best to show our appreciation for a job well done.

Response—Mrs. Catherine Gibbs, P.M.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it is an honor to respond to your kind welcome in behalf of the Grand Chapter Committee members. You have often heard it said that a chain is as strong as its weakest link. We have tried to be strong links in the chain of Grand Chapter activities. If we have helped in any way to lighten your load this year; if we have helped to make this Grand Session all that you hope it will be, we feel amply repaid for whatever we have done.

Thank you again.

TO SECRETARIES OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF DELAWARE

By Elizabeth M. Fisher, Grand Secretary

Through the courtesy of our Worthy Grand Matron and on behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, it is my happy privilege to extend to each of you, my co-workers, a most sincere welcome.

It takes cooperation on your part to see that reports are sent to me regularly and promptly and it takes cooperation on my part to see that your requests for supplies are attended to as promptly as possible.

We have a very satisfactory and happy relationship with each other and the little personal notes that are attached to your requests or reports are most welcome and always appreciated by me.

Welcome once more and we hope you will enjoy and benefit from your attendance at this Grand Session.

Response—Edith L. Swain

Sister Elizabeth:

On behalf of the Secretaries of the Subordinate Chapters, I thank you for your sincere welcome. It is indeed an honor to be so graciously welcomed and made to feel that we are really a part of this Grand Chapter. We appreciate your assistance and your many acts of kindness throughout the year.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, we bring you and your Grand Family our best wishes for a harmonious session.

ROLL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

ALABAMA	Ruth Layton
ARIZONA	M. Catherine Downing
ARKANSAS	Catherine Bradley
ALBERTA	Evelyn Holden
BRITISH COLUMBIA	Thirza Hall
CALIFORNIA	Phoebe Sharpley
COLORADO	Mary Swan
CONNECTICUT	Ida Lowe
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Katie Boyer
FLORIDA	Grace Moore
GEORGIA	Gordon Kyle
IDAHO	Grace Allen
INDIANA	Hilda Wood
IOWA	Mabel Davis
ILLINOIS	Clara Smith
KANSAS	Mary R. Miller
KENTUCKY	Jennie Thompson
LOUISIANA	Ruth Bryan
MAINE	Lanah Milbourn
MANITOBA	Madeline Litchfield
MARYLAND	Mary Woerner
MASSACHUSETTS	Sue Cardwell
MICHIGAN	Sarah Mitchell
MINNESOTA	Edith McLennan
MISSISSIPPI	Myrtle Stevenson
MISSOURI	Lorraine Putzier
MONTANA	Helen Joseph
NEBRASKA	Blanche Williams
NEVADA	Jane Brittingham
NEW BRUNSWICK	Margaret L. Wicks
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Jeanette Gutzke
NEW JERSEY	Beulah Rodway
NEW MEXICO	Adelle Holt
NEW YORK	Miriam Zeigler
NORTH CAROLINA	Frances Warren
NORTH DAKOTA	Ethel Derickson
NOVA SCOTIA	Ruth Stiggins
OHIO	Callie Wood
OKLAHOMA	Myrtle Shaub
ONTARIO	Margaret King
OREGON	Ann Hudson
PENNSYLVANIA	Ella Cleaver
PUERTO RICO	Dorothea Werner
QUEBEC	Agnes Wooten
SASKATCHEWAN	Sylvia Knox
SCOTLAND	Edith McLean
SOUTH CAROLINA	Ida Kapp
SOUTH DAKOTA	M. Ella Steele
TENNESSEE	Fannie Brown
TEXAS	Patricia Mears

VERMONT	Ruth Nutter
VIRGINIA	Jacqueline Kyle
WASHINGTON	Marjorie Montgomery
WEST VIRGINIA	Helen Weldie
WISCONSIN	Ida Case
WYOMING	Florence Walls

WELCOME TO GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. William Nutter, Associate Grand Patron

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Worthy Grand Martha, Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron Sister Ruth, I thank you for extending this privilege to me. It is kind and very thoughtful of you.

Grand Representatives, it is a real pleasure to welcome you to this, our Thirty-fifth Annual Session. Your duties and your responsibilities assure us of a growing peace and harmony within our order, and that fraternal love and fellowship does exist between the Eastern Star of the world. Through you, the bonds of friendship and understanding are strengthened, for you are our medium of exchanged ideas and ideals. We give you a hearty greeting, and hope that our session will be one of pleasure and inspiration to you as your presence is to us.

Response—Mrs. Hilda Wood, P.M.

PRESENTATION OF PAGES AND WELCOME

By Worthy Grand Matron—

Welcome to our Gleaners Session. You are so pretty in your royal blue and gold—our state colors. May you enjoy each task you perform and may the happiness you give to others be reflected back to you.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

Pages, your duties are many and numerous, and it is with pleasure that you were chosen to serve this Grand Chapter Session. May the pleasure of your tasks outweigh the weariness of "tired feet" when you at last find repose at the end of the day. To you words will not suffice to express our appreciation for your every act of kindness and help, and I trust that you will carry away with you nothing but pleasant memories.

Response—Mrs. Dolores Varrell, Five Points Chapter No. 13

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Distinguished East, Sisters and Brothers:

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, on behalf of the Pages, I thank you for the gracious words of Welcome.

It was with pleasure that we accepted your invitation to be Pages during this, your Gleaners Session. It is affording us the opportunity to actively serve our Grand Chapter and to become better acquainted with its work and with each other.



Worthy Grand Matron Ruth M. Laws, Worthy Grand Patron Norris Tull and Pages.

We hope that everyone will feel free to call upon us and that we can be of assistance to those who do.

We wish for you a Session when much is done for the good of our Order here in Delaware and also we wish you continued good health so that you may reap the fruits of your year of labor in the years to come.

I am grateful for the honor and privilege you have given me in responding for the pages. I thank you.

WELCOME TO SUPREME DEPUTY OF JOB'S DAUGHTERS
SISTER GERTRUDE GRUBB, AND BETHEL GUARDIANS

By Worthy Grand Matron —

Sister Gertrude, you are to be congratulated on the work you have done and are doing with these young girls; you are just never too tired, but you will be rewarded and the Order of Eastern Star in Delaware is very proud of you and your four Bethels. Good luck and God bless you all.

By Worthy Grand Patron —

I am proud to welcome you to our 35th Grand Chapter Session. We recognize the importance and necessity of fraternal organizations for the youth of today, for in them lies the hope of the future. The Order of the Eastern Star is justly proud of the worthy attainments of the Order of Jobs Daughters.

*Response—*Mrs. Gertrude Grubb, P.M. Five Points Chapter No. 13

It is always a pleasure to respond to the welcome of the Worthy Grand Matron and more so this year as we have added two new Bethels in our State. Very unfortunately, only one of our Associate Guardians is a member of the Eastern Star. Our newest Guardian, Sister Ardell Morente, is a member of Friendship Chapter No. 173 of Atlantic City, N. J.

We hope the Grand Chapter is pleased with the efforts of our girls and you will come to visit whenever the opportunity permits.

Thanks so much for your welcome.

WELCOME TO BROTHER BOB AND SISTER PAULINE DAVIS
Superintendent and Matron of Masonic Home

By Worthy Grand Matron—

It is so nice to have you attend our session. We hope you will derive some pleasure from being with us.

By Worthy Grand Patron—

Sister Pauline and Brother Bob, we are mindful of the debt of love and service we owe you for the splendid years you have given to our Masonic Home. Need I say how glad I am that we have the privilege of having you with us at our Gleaners Session. I give you a most hearty welcome.

WELCOME TO CHAIRMAN OF SUMMER BENEFIT

By Worthy Grand Matron—

Sister Elizabeth, chairman of our Big Project: Sister Elizabeth, the nicest thing that could happen to anyone is the privilege of having those dearest to them share the good things in life. I am sure everyone is interested in our Project for the Handicapped Children, so I will ask Sister Pierce to make her report at this time.

REPORT ON SUMMER BENEFIT

Someone has said:

*"The greatest thing a man can do,
is to be kind to God's children."*

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Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Distinguished Guests, Members of the Grand Chapter
of Delaware, Sisters and Brothers:

As Chairman of our W.G. Matron and W.G. Patron's project, namely "The Summer Benefit for Handicapped Children" I am given the opportunity to bring to you a record of a wonderful experience for your Chairman.

ON JULY 9, 1955, the Summer Carnival was held at the Delaware Shrine Club Building on the DuPont Highway at State Road, and the proceeds from the Carnival, donations from the Benefit of 1954, and the Past Matrons and Patrons of 1951 netted us \$3,364.41. Our expenses totaled \$548.81, leaving a balance of \$2,815.60 profit.

IN JUNE a check for \$25.00 was sent by our Grand Secretary to the Rescue Mission on East 4th Street in Wilmington to help defray the expenses of a picnic to Riverview Beach sponsored by them for the Handicapped Children of Wilmington. This amount probably doesn't seem much to those of you who are not familiar with this event, but with all the business men contributing to this picnic, this amount was very graciously received by the Mission.

ON OCTOBER 1, 1955, a number of our members attended the ball in the Armory, given in honor of W. Harrison Phillips, Potentate of Nur Temple, at which time your chairman, as the guest of Nur Temple, had

the honor of presenting to the Potentate a check for \$1,300.00 to be given to the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children in Philadelphia.

OCTOBER 2, 1955: Accompanied by a group of the members of the order, a check for \$600.00 was given to the Delaware Day School for Handicapped Children, also a check for the like amount, \$600.00, to the Kutner School. This presentation was made at the Kutner School Building with a large delegation of parents and officers from the Delaware Day School, and the members of the Board of Directors of the Kutner School.

ON DECEMBER 15 the Worthy Grand Matron and I paid a visit to the Kutner School and delivered 6 dolls and doll coaches, and received a letter of appreciation from the members of the Board.

ON DECEMBER 15 the Worthy Grand Patron attended a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Delaware Day School held in Seaford for the purpose of starting a school for retarded children in the town of Seaford, and pledged them a check for \$75.00. The school has since started and the enrollment increased from 5 pupils to 14, and the check was used for educational equipment. A check for \$50.00 was also given to the March of Dimes.

APRIL 23, 1956: The Grand Secretary sent a check for \$100.00 to be used for educational equipment for a branch of the Delaware Day School to be started in Dover in September 1956, and so with the proceeds from our Carnival we may say:

*"Others? Yes, Lord, others.
Let this our motto be:
Help us to live for others,
That we may live for Thee."*

IN APPRECIATION. I wish to extend the appreciation of the Worthy Grand Matron, the Worthy Grand Patron and the Committee to the Melody Makers, under the direction of Mrs. Jolly, for furnishing the entertainment and music for dancing, without charge; to our P. G. Patron, Brother I. Kendall Gibbs, for his effort in the donation of 24 100-lb. bags of potatoes given by Mason Brothers in Hallwood, Maryland; to Mr. Cohen of the Story Printing Company, for the printing of the tickets and posters; to the members of the Delaware Shrine Club for the use of the Clubhouse; and to Justis Brothers for the use of the electric refrigerator.

*Friends are like keepsakes,
Growing more dear,
More precious, more cherished,
Year after year.*

This is the way I feel about my committee, and those who helped to make our Summer Benefit a success. Without them I could have done nothing. I couldn't begin to mention the names of all, and so may I take this privilege to say, "Thank you," to all of you lovely people and I shall always be grateful to you.

Again this year as in 1954 we had food left over, and this consisted of potatoes and rolls. These were given to the Layton Home for the Aged Colored, Children's Home, Masonic Home, and The Little Sisters of the Poor, and the letters of thanks from these organizations are my prized possessions.

In closing may I say Thank You to *all* the members for contributing in any way toward this project, and to you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for your appointment of me as Chairman of this Committee, and *your* splendid cooperation.

I watched my child at play
As it romped about with glee;
And I thought, how good the Lord had been
To have given this child to me.

Then I uttered a prayer of thankfulness,
To Him, who reigns above,
For giving me this little child,
To watch over, and to love.

I thought of all the thousands
Of parents, such as I,
Whose little ones watch others play
From beds, on which they lie.

Then I asked, "Oh Lord, what can I do
To show my thanks to Thee?"
And He whispered, "*As ye have given to them,
Ye have given unto Me.*"

Motion by Past Grand Matron Sister Sarah E. Riggin, seconded by Past Grand Matron Sister Lillian Larrimore, report be accepted.

Motion adopted.

A motion was made by Brother Thomas Rodway, P.G.P., seconded by Sister Irma LeCompte, P.G.M., that all present and past Grand Officers visiting this Grand Chapter session be made Honorary Members.

Motion adopted.

DRAPING OF ALTAR

Grand Conductress, Associate Grand Conductress and Grand Chaplain attended at the Altar.

Draping of the Altar in memory of Sisters and Brothers who have been called to the Grand Chapter above.

Jacqueline Kyle sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere."

Worthy Grand Matron placed flowers at base of the Altar and Grand Secretary placed scroll of names upon the Altar.

DELAWARE CHAPTER No. 1

Mrs. Isabella Ainsworth	April 12, 1955
Samuel H. Kaufman, P.P.	Feb. 13, 1955
Mrs. Florence Hastings	May 19, 1955
Mrs. Anna B. Hubert	Oct. 20, 1955
Mrs. Ida F. D. Kiger	Mar. 4, 1955
Mrs. Elizabeth McCaulley	Oct. 2, 1955
Mrs. Mae Mortlock	Nov. 23, 1955
Mrs. Celia K. Pierson, P.M.	April 9, 1955
Dodd S. Shuster	April 20, 1955

MIZPAH CHAPTER No. 2

Mrs. Mary F. Dorman	April 1, 1955
Mrs. Mary E. Lloyd	May 20, 1955
Mrs. Martina Voshell	June 3, 1955

JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER No. 3

Miss Estella Hillyard	April 27, 1955
Mrs. Alice M. Jones, P.M.	July 12, 1955

ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER No. 4

Mrs. Lida L. Shain	Feb. 4, 1955
George Hirlinger, P.P.	April 3, 1955
Miss K. Isabel Krause, P.M.	June 6, 1955

ADAH CHAPTER No. 5

Mrs. Carrie E. Barr	Mar. 31, 1955
Mrs. Lois Baker	Aug. 14, 1955
Mrs. Annie L. Nichols	Sept. 20, 1955
Mrs. Effie R. Draper	Dec. 17, 1955

RADIANT CHAPTER No. 6

Mrs. Fannie Coverdale	Jan. 16, 1955
Mrs. Edith B. Harmstead, P.M.	Aug. 22, 1955
Mrs. Laura S. Zebley	Jan. 31, 1955

SUSSEX CHAPTER No. 7

Mrs. Elizabeth Morris	Jan. 26, 1955
T. Scott Purse, P.P.	Dec. 12, 1955

GEORGETOWN CHAPTER No. 9

John I. Short	April 12, 1955
Mrs. Olivia C. Wilkins, P.M.	Feb. 28, 1955
Mrs. Evelyn West	Aug. 14, 1955

KENT CHAPTER No. 11

Mrs. Lillian M. Harmstead, P.M.	Jan. 28, 1955
Mrs. Cora Hummell	Mar. 18, 1955

FRANKFORD CHAPTER No. 12

Mrs. Sally G. Long	June 23, 1955
Mrs. Edith Carey	April 13, 1955
Mrs. Hattie Thomas, P.M.	July 23, 1955

FIVE POINTS CHAPTER No. 13

Mrs. Mildred Quesenbury	Mar. 2, 1955
Mr. Howard Payne	Sept. 4, 1955

BRANDYWINE CHAPTER No. 14

Walter A. Gehret, P.P.	Dec. 29, 1955
Mrs. Jeanette H. Hughes	May 9, 1955
Mrs. Janet F. Stewart	Mar. 24, 1955

VICTORY CHAPTER No. 15

Mrs. Mary Bartley	
Mrs. Elizabeth Minner	

ESTHER CHAPTER No. 17

Mrs. Katherine B. Segelken	April 22, 1955
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Grand Marshal called Grand Chapter from labor to recess to reconvene at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

TUESDAY MORNING — 10:00 A. M.

Grand Chapter was called to order by Sessions Chairman, Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce presiding, presenting P.G.M. Sister Sarah E. Riggin and P.G.P. Brother Charles V. Cleaver who opened the session and welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and invited them to the Grand East.

Opening Ceremony.

Singing "Bringing in the Sheaves".

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter from recess to resume labor .

Minutes of Monday morning and Monday afternoon sessions were read and approved. Motion was made by P.G.M. Sister Sarah S. Riggin, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Helen M. West, that minutes be accepted as read and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

P.G.M. Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, Chairman of Jurisprudence, continued the discussion on revision of the Constitution and By-Laws for the second reading.

Motion was made by P.G.M. Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Sarah E. Riggin that Grand Chapter take care of credentials for demitted Matrons and Patrons for election at this Session only.

Motion adopted.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter to recess to reconvene at 1:30 P. M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON — 1:30 P. M.

Grand Chapter called to order by Sessions Chairman, P.G.M. Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce presenting P.G.M. Sister Alice C. Abbott and P.G.P. Dr. Jay W. Miller who opened the session and welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron and invited them to the Grand East.

Past Grand Patron Brother Kendall Gibbs was extended a welcome by the Worthy Grand Matron.

REPORT OF GRAND TRUSTEES

Past Grand Patron J. Albert Kumpel, Chairman

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware,
Order of the Eastern Star:

We, your Grand Trustees, have audited the books of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer and find them correct.

Following is a statement covering the period from April 30, 1955 to April 30, 1956.

Cash balance on hand April 30, 1955	\$ 5,232.16
Receipts for the year	11,569.16
	<u>16,801.82</u>
TOTAL	\$16,801.82
Disbursements from April 30, 1955 to April 30, 1956	11,385.22
	<u>5,416.60</u>
BALANCE—April 30, 1956	\$ 5,416.60
Bank Balance Apr. 30, 1956	\$5,521.60
Less Outstanding Checks:	
No. 1080	\$ 5.00
No. 1086	100.00
	<u>\$105.00</u>
	\$ 105.00
ACTUAL BALANCE	\$5,416.60

ASSETS OF GRAND CHAPTER OF DELAWARE:

- Grand Officers Badges
- 2 Traveling badges in possession of presiding Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron
- 1 Steel Safe
- 1 Steel Filing Cabinet
- 3 Utility Cabinets
- 1 Brief Case
- 1 O.E.S. Seal of Delaware
- 1 Typewriter
- 1 Wooden Gavel
- 1 Metal Gavel (in possession of presiding Worthy Grand Patron)

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| 1 Charter | } | In custody of Grand Trustees |
| 1 Altar Bible | | |
| 2 Small Bibles | | |
| 1 Christian Flag | | |
| 1 State Flag | | |
| 1 O.E.S. Flag | | |
| 1 American Flag | | |

Worthy Grand Matron's Pedestal (kept by Julia M. Story Chapter)

2 Shares O.E.S. Building Corp. Stock

2 Sets of Bound Proceedings from year 1922 to date—one set in possession of Worthy Grand Matron and one set in Grand Secretary's office.

1 Baton (in possession of Grand Marshal)

Grand Chapter Records

Subordinate Chapter Supplies

Sister Mary M. Clower, Past Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, who is the widow of Past Grand Patron Brother Alfred M. Clower, has given Brother Clower's Past Grand Patron's Jewel to the Grand Chapter. This jewel is now in the keeping of Grand Trustees.

RECOMMENDATION: We recommend the jewel be presented to some future Worthy Grand Patron who might desire it in preference to a new jewel.

RECOMMENDATION No. 2:

For the past few years our net financial gain has been very small.

For example: from April 30, 1955 to April 30, 1956 our net gain was \$183.00.

Recent legislation and proposed legislation will increase our expenses approximately \$185.00, which means for the coming year our expenses will exceed our receipts. This, you can see, is not a "healthy" condition. Therefore, we recommend that the Capitation Tax be increased from \$1.00 to \$1.25 or that a registration fee of \$1.00 per member be charged at Grand Session.

J. ALBERT KUMPEL, *Chairman*
 PAULINE DAVIS
 J. NELSON ABBOTT

Motion made by Bro. J. Albert Kumpel, seconded by Brother Fred W. Warrington that report be accepted and printed in proceedings. Motion adopted.

Motion was made by P.G.M. Sister Sarah Riggan, seconded by Sister Vera Ellis that recommendation in regard to Brother Alfred Clower's jewel be complied with. Motion adopted.

Motion was made by P.G.P. Brother Robert Larrimore, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Elizabeth Pierce that recommendation regarding per capita tax be complied with. Motion adopted.

FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Chapters Represented—18	
Voting Members	184
Proxies	8
Total	<u>192</u>

MAE T. FORD
GORDON E. KYLE
SUSIE D. CARDWELL

Motion by Brother Edward Pelham, seconded by Sister Myrtle Shaub that report be accepted and spread in minutes.

Motion adopted.

ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS

Worthy Grand Patron read Article from the Constitution regarding election. Judges appointed were Brother Wm. Hall and Brother Harold Shaub; Tellers, Sisters Vera Snedeker, Jane Brittingham, Edith Labour and Mary Swan.

RESULTS OF ELECTION:

Worthy Grand Matron	Mary E. Bevis
Worthy Grand Patron	Wm. Nutter
Associate Grand Matron	Sarah Hoffman
Associate Grand Patron	John Conley
Grand Secretary	Elizabeth M. Fisher
Grand Treasurer	Sylvia M. Knox
Grand Conductress	Mildred Minner
Associate Grand Conductress	Eliza Crossland
Grand Lecturer	Rita Wilkinson
Grand Sentinel	Wm. Hall
Grand Trustee	J. Albert Kumpel

Worthy Grand Patron dismissed the Judges and Tellers with thanks.

REPORT OF NECROLOGY COMMITTEE

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware:

We, your Committee on Necrology, submit the following report:

The Memorial Service for our deceased members was held in First and Central Presbyterian Church at 11th and Market Sts., Wilmington, Delaware, on Sunday evening, May 13, at 7:45 o'clock. The Rev. Willard G. Purdy, D.D., gave an impressive message entitled, "All In Our Hour", which was based on the text from John 4:23—"But the hour cometh, and

now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship Him."

The tribute was given by Sister Edna Carter, followed by a beautifully sung solo—"I walked To-day Where Jesus Walked" by Sister Effie Marvonek. Sister Margaret King offered a prayer after which the chairman gave the meditation.

The Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth Laws, offered flowers in thankfulness for no deaths in the Grand Family. Flowers were presented by the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Norris Tull, in memory of the General Grand Chapter members who have passed to the Great Beyond. It was then that the Worthy Matrons of the Subordinate Chapters offered their flowers—either in memory or in thankfulness—as the names of the deceased members of each chapter were read. When the last offering was made, we beheld a white floral cross on a background of green fern—the red flowers at the base. The Matrons had formed a triangle at which time the Patrons took their places as the background.

Sister Marvonek closed the ceremony by singing "The Lord's Prayer"—a request of the Worthy Grand Matron.

Each Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron was notified of the Memorial Service and an invitation to the service was sent to the nearest relative of each deceased member.

The Committee wishes to express its appreciation to Dr. Purdy, Rev. Reeve, and to all those connected with the First and Central Presbyterian Church who so willingly offered their assistance.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to our members whose homes have been saddened by the loss of loved ones, and to the Chapters who have lost members during the year 1955.

Respectfully submitted,

EDNA CARTER
MARGARET KING
JOHN CONLEY
HELEN JOSEPH
EVELYN HOLDEN
CATHERINE GIBBS, *Chairman*

Motion was made by Brother J. Nelson Abbott, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Larrimore that report be accepted and spread in proceedings. Motion adopted.

Sister Catherine Gibbs made a motion that a letter of thanks be sent to Dr. W. G. Purdy for his very fine message. Brother Fred Warrington seconded this motion. Motion adopted.

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REPORT OF DELAWARE BUILDING CORPORATION

November 30, 1955

The thirty-third annual meeting of the Delaware Order of the Eastern Star Building Corporation was held at the office, 912 West Street, on November 30, 1955.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P. M. by the President, Mrs. Jane Zebley, and the following Directors were elected:

Grand Chapter of Delaware	Mrs. Pauline Davis
Radiant Chapter No. 6	Mrs. Jane Zebley
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3	Mr. Chas. V. Cleaver

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President	Mrs. Jane Zebley
Secretary	Mr. Chas. V. Cleaver
Treasurer	Mrs. Pauline Davis

The Treasurer's report from Nov. 30, 1954 to Nov. 30, 1955 was as follows:

Balance in Wilmington Savings Fund Nov. 30, 1954	\$2,554.96	
Interest on Wilm. Savings Fund Acct.	75.94	
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Balance in Wilmington Savings Fund Nov. 30, 1955		\$2,630.90
Balance in Security Trust Co. Nov. 30, 1954	\$1,389.25	
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Check No. 76 Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3 for 200 shares at \$5.00 per share.....	\$1,000.00	
Check No. 77 Delaware Chapter No. 1 for 46 shares at \$5.00 per share.....	230.00	
Check No. 78 Secretary of State of Del. for Filing Fee	5.00	
Check No. 79 Security Trust Co. for Safe Deposit Box	6.60	
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Total Disbursements	\$1,241.60	
Balance in Equitable-Security Trust Co., Nov. 30, 1955		147.65
In Safe Deposit Box:		
Two (2) One Thousand Dollar United States Bonds		2,000.00
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TOTAL WORTH of Corporation as of Nov. 30, 1955		\$4,778.55

TOTAL SHARES OUTSTANDING AS OF NOV. 30, 1955	
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3	85 shares
Grand Chapter of Delaware	2 shares
Radiant Chapter No. 6	60 shares
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	147 shares

Wishing you success in the coming year, I am

Sincerely and fraternally,

CHAS. V. CLEAVER, *Secretary*

P.G.P. Brother Warrington made a motion that report be accepted and spread in minutes. Motion was seconded by P.G.M. Sister Alice Abbott and adopted.

Brother J. Nelson Abbott made a motion that Sister Pauline Davis be again appointed as Representative from this Grand Body to the Building Corporation. Sister Sarah Riggin seconded this motion. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY

ELIZABETH M. FISHER

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware,
Order of the Eastern Star:

Once again I submit for your consideration and approval the record of my official acts as Grand Secretary of this Grand Jurisdiction during the year May 1955 to May 1, 1956.

The duties and activities of the year are many and varied; but not all of them are necessarily recorded in this report.

All bills of Grand Session were paid promptly and many "Thank You" letters written as requested by the Sessions Committee and the Summer Benefit Committee.

Dish Gardens were sent to our Past Grand Matrons who on account of illness could not attend the session, but who we knew were with us in spirit — Sisters

M. Etta Keys
Irene Bauer

Edna Gifford
Mary Clower

and flowers were telegraphed to Sister Clara A. Reuter in Baltimore.

An anniversary card was sent to Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Short, mother and father of Past Grand Matron Sister Bertha S. Welch. (Mrs. Short has since been called to her Eternal Home.)

As it was near the time of the Triennial in Washington, credentials for voting delegates to the Triennial were prepared and mailed to those attending.

An abstract covering the membership, etc., of the Grand Jurisdiction of Delaware for the last three years was prepared and mailed to the Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Mamie Lander.

An order was placed for the Jewels to be given to the outgoing Worthy Grand Matron and Patron in 1956.

Due cards for all subordinate chapters were ordered.

Signature cards for the bank were prepared and sent with a letter to the bank authorizing the new signatures on all checks drawn on the Grand Chapter account.

Bound copies of Proceedings for 1952-53-54 (two sets) were ordered taken care of. Stuart Bookbindery who have bound all copies each three years having gone out of business, the work was done by C. L. Story Co. Stationery for Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Secretary was ordered.

Met with official of Wilmington Savings Fund Society regarding the transferring of account of Educational Loan Fund to Estarl Fund. This Fund is now known as Estarl No. 1, from which each year we withdraw an amount equalling 10c per member and deposit it in Estarl No. 2 and from this fund we may withdraw an amount to be awarded to a recipient recommended by the Estarl Committee.

Copies of Amendments to Ritual to be voted on in Triennial Session were mailed to all those entitled to receive them. Also Delaware Badges were given to all members who notified the Grand Secretary they expected to attend.

Prepared "B" Certificates, "A" Certificates and "Star Cards" for all members reported by Grand Lecturer as having passed satisfactory examinations. These have all been recorded.

Mailed list of Grand Officers, Committees and Official Visits, also names and addresses of Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons and Secretaries of subordinate chapters to all entitled to receive them.

400 Copies of Proceedings were compiled and mailed to all entitled to receive them. Proceedings received from Sister Grand Jurisdictions mailed to each Grand Representative and one copy given to Fraternal Correspondent.

Requests for Commissions and Certificates for 17 Representatives of Delaware in other Grand Jurisdictions were prepared for Worthy Grand Matron's signature and mailed with a letter to the Grand Secretary requesting them. Also sent Delaware Badge.

Requests for Worthy Grand Matron of 22 Grand Jurisdictions to approve the appointment of members of Delaware Grand Chapter to represent their Grand Jurisdictions in Delaware were sent and when received were recorded in Grand Chapter Books and then mailed to each Chapter with a letter asking that the Commissions be presented to the recipient in Open Chapter.

All invitations from Sister Grand Jurisdictions for the Grand Sessions have been acknowledged and many, many sympathy cards mailed to Sister Grand Jurisdictions on notification of the passing of Past Worthy Grand Matrons and Patrons.

By order of the Worthy Grand Matron new copies of Secret work were given to all officers entitled to hold them; also copies of the new Diagram.

Copies of all Ritual changes as made at the Triennial in Washington, D.C., were mailed to the secretaries, covering all new rituals purchased by the chapter.

It was my happy privilege to attend the Triennial in Washington and our Jurisdiction was highly honored by the appointment of Past Grand Matron Sister Helen C. West to the office of Worthy Grand Martha.

Annual Report blanks were mailed to each chapter in November. Preparation cards were mailed to each chapter; also credentials for the first four officers, to be used at Grand Session in May 1956.

Orders for supplies, literature and paraphernalia, etc. are attended to as promptly as possible.

Programs of this Grand Session have been mailed to each subordinate chapter and to each of our shut-ins.

Christmas cards were mailed to each Grand Jurisdiction and Officers of Delaware and invitations to our Grand Session were mailed to all Sister Grand Jurisdictions and all honorary members.

APPRECIATION

Nothing I can say will ever express the appreciation in my heart to my sisters and brothers, not only in Delaware but to our Right Worthy Grand Secretary and the Grand Secretaries of all Sister Grand Jurisdictions for their cards, letters, flowers, gifts and *Prayers*, at the time I was in the hospital as a result of a terrible automobile accident.

Your prayers have been answered and I have recovered without a visible scar or disfigurement of any kind. I could talk for hours of the many kindnesses of the doctors, nurses and sisters and brothers, but if I started I wouldn't know where to stop. Just let me say that you will never know what a thrill it was to get a cheering card or a note or a visit from each of you and especially from some folks whom I never knew ever gave me a second thought.

I also want to express my gratitude to Past Grand Matron Sister Elizabeth Pierce for taking over the distributing of the Delaware scarves which we had for sale.

To Sisters Sylvia Knox and Edith McLennan, who struggled through the reading of the proofs of Proceedings.

To Sister Ella Cleaver—what would I do without her? She came to my house (after I came home from the hospital) early in the morning, helped me with my correspondence and the addressing of Christmas cards, took care of the money, turned it over to the Grand Treasurer and did many things to relieve my mind and keep things going as smoothly as possible. Sister Ivah Ostendarp, too, spent one whole evening addressing Christmas cards for Grand Chapter.

Now, last but not least, Brother George Ostendarp and Sister Ivah Ostendarp. As soon as I felt I could start visiting in the various chapters,

they were ready to take me and the front seat in their car is mine without any notice that I'm going. No one could be more kind or considerate of my feelings as we ride up and down the highways. I thank my Heavenly Father for my membership in the Order of the Eastern Star and for the friends it has brought into my life.

Now, you can see what I mean when I said I wouldn't know where to stop. But a period means the end, so — Period.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BALANCE—APRIL 30, 1955 \$ 5,232.66

RECEIPTS

Per Capita Tax	\$ 3,166.00	
Initiation Fees	72.50	
Bibles	280.88	
Rituals	73.73	
Supplies & Paraphernalia	750.27	
Receipt Books	12.35	
Refunds on Hotel Reservations	115.18	
Refund (Gen'l Gr. Handicapped Fund)	2,800.00	
Surety Bonds	92.50	
Estarl Fund	316.60	
Summer Benefit	3,364.41	
Dispensations	20.00	
Past Grand Matrons & Patrons Dinner	102.00	
Proceedings	3.90	
V.A. Hospital Donation	14.84	
Scarves	384.00	
		<u>\$11,569.16</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$16,801.82</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

E. Maxwell—Storage	\$ 50.00
Sommer Badge Co.	27.30
C. L. Story	1,735.00
Gray's Printing	10.65
General Grand Chapter	4,142.72
DuPont Hotel	756.68
J. Cottman	9.58
Lehmberg & Sons, Inc.	176.76
Simons (Florist)	15.00
Cushing (Florist)	5.00
Newcomb Printing	16.00
R. Laws—Souvenirs	20.50
R. Laws—Triennial Expenses	75.00
R. Laws—Mimeograph	1.95

R. Laws—Contingency Fund	125.00
Sylvia Knox	15.00
E. Cleaver	20.00
Delaware Bottling Co.	35.00
W. W. Crowe	57.90
B. Miles	3.45
Mundorff Beverage Co.	5.70
Reeves-Parvin Co.	74.77
E. Pierce (Kutner School) Xmas	25.00
E. Pierce	11.40
M. Carlisle	2.40
Highfield & Watkins	100.00
Kutner School	600.00
Delaware Day School	600.00
Nur Temple (For Handicapped)	1,300.00
T.B. Stamps	2.00
Macoy Publishing Co.	100.33
M. Bunting (Florist)	10.10
M. Collins (Jeweler)	12.00
Culvers (Florist)	27.00
Wm. Nutter	3.10
A. C. Abbott	22.86
E. Fisher	25.00
E. Crossland	50.00
S. Conly	26.84
Rommel's, Inc.	18.00
E. Betty (Florist)	5.50
Huber Baking Co.	50.30
Capital Bakery	85.00
Letter Shop	27.75
Tobins Market	168.89
Brown & Scott	26.00
Philadelphia Dairy	28.00
Delaware Day School (Sussex)	75.00
Gilbert Publishing Co.	5.62
J. Conley	6.75
Wick & Wick	28.97
C. E. Ward Co.	11.32
March of Dimes	50.00
Franklin Stamp Co.	4.50
Lanah Milbourn	5.00
E. M. Fisher	200.00
Fulton Paper Co.	15.63
E. M. Fisher (Con't Fund)	150.00
Sanborn Phtographer	1.00

American Rescue Workers	25.00	
Delaware Day School—Dover	100.00	
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$11,385.22
BALANCE—APRIL 30, 1956		<hr/>
		\$ 5,416.60

Audited and Approved
 J. ALBERT KUMPEL, *Grand Trustee*
 PAULINE DAVIS, *Grand Trustee*
 J. N. ABBOTT, *Grand Trustee*

VETERANS' HOSPITAL FUND

		Carried in Checking Acct.
AMOUNT IN THE FUND APRIL 30, 1955		\$ 51.38
Fulton Paper Company	\$15.63	15.63
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BALANCE		\$ 35.75
Plus Government Bond maturing October 1958—\$25.00.		

EASTERN STAR HOME FUND

AMOUNT OF THE FUND APRIL 30, 1955	\$3,335.97
Interest for year 1955	100.05
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AMOUNT OF FUND APRIL 30, 1956	\$3,436.02

Audited and Approved
 J. ALBERT KUMPEL, *Grand Trustee*
 PAULINE DAVIS, *Grand Trustee*
 J. N. ABBOTT, *Grand Trustee*

ESTARL FUND NO. 1

(Transferred from Educational Loan Fund August 1955
by advice of Bank Officials)

Amount Transferred	\$1,860.55
Interest	23.25
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TOTAL	\$1,883.80
Withdrawn—March 1956	316.60
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BALANCE	\$1,567.20

ESTARL FUND IN ARTISANS' SAVINGS BANK

On Deposit—April 26, 1954	\$ 307.60
Interest Oct. 1954	3.19
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	\$ 310.79

Interest April 1, 1955	3.87
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	\$ 314.66
Withdrawn to send to Gen'l Gr. Chapter for their records.	
Percentage due Estarl Fund for 1953	307.60
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BALANCE	\$ 7.06
Redeposited May 17, 1955	307.60
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TOTAL	314.66
Interest July 1955	1.32
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BALANCE	\$ 315.98

ESTARL FUND NO. 2

(Opened Account in Wilmington Savings Society
by advice of Bank Officials)

Deposited—July 1955	\$ 315.98
Plus percentage due Estarl Fund for 1954	311.10
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	\$ 627.08
Interest Dec. 1955	7.84
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BALANCE	\$ 634.92
Plus \$316.60 percentage due for 1955	316.60
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AMOUNT of Estarl Fund available Apr. 1956	\$ 951.52

Audited and Approved
J. ALBERT KUMPEL, *Grand Trustee*
PAULINE DAVIS, *Grand Trustee*
J. N. ABBOTT, *Grand Trustee*

Motion made by Sister Evelyn Reynolds, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Larrimore that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star:

I submit the following report of my official transactions for the Grand Chapter year ending April 30, 1956.

Balance on hand April 30, 1955 \$ 5,232.66

Received from Grand Secretary:

June 15, 1955 \$ 421.40

July 11, 1955	2,710.89	
July 12, 1955	472.53	
Aug. 8, 1955	210.51	
Oct. 3, 1955	57.25	
Oct. 26, 1955	287.39	
Nov. 28, 1955	1,336.61	
Dec. 7, 1955	1,514.55	
Jan. 16, 1956	2,431.39	
Feb. 29, 1956	381.55	
Mar. 23, 1956	217.78	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$11,569.16	11,569.16
GRAND TOTAL		\$16,801.82
Disbursements		11,385.22
BALANCE—April 30, 1956		\$ 5,416.60
Bank Balance April 30, 1956	\$5,521.60	
Less Outstanding Checks:		
No. 1080	\$ 5.00	
No. 1086	100.00	
	<u>\$105.00</u>	<u>105.00</u>
Actual Balance—Apr. 30, 1956	\$5,416.60	

With deepest gratitude for the trust reposed in me, I am

Sincerely and fraternally,

SYLVIA M. KNOX, *Grand Treasurer*

Audited and Approved:

J. ALBERT KUMPEL, *Grand Trustee*

PAULINE DAVIS, *Grand Trustee*

J. N. ABBOTT, *Grand Trustee*

Motion made by P.G.M. Sister Larrimore, seconded by Sister Thirza Hall, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF GRAND LECTURER

Past Matron Mizpah Chapter No. 2

SISTER ELIZA L. CROSSLAND

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished East, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star.

When the Grand Chapter elected me Grand Lecturer last May I was aware of my great responsibility. I entered my duties with a prayer in my heart for Divine guidance, health and wisdom, and thanked my Heavenly Father for His protection and care in the past year.

The school for the Deputies was held in Five Points Chapter room, Newport, Delaware, on June 4, 1955. I want to thank Five Points Chapter No. 13 for the use of their room and paraphernalia.

On Saturday afternoon and evening, June 11th, our Worthy Grand Matron and I met and went over the Ritual in order to become acquainted with the changes in our work, and made instructions for the Deputies.

On Tuesday evening, August 2nd, in Georgetown Methodist Church House, Georgetown, we held another school of instruction for the Deputies in order to try to have our work uniform in the State according to the changes in our ritual. All Deputies were present except one.

I have attended all meetings that were possible. I missed one Grand Visitation as I was out of the state on vacation.

I have visited all the subordinate Chapters and found the Ritualistic work satisfactory, and I want to thank the Deputies for their efforts and work they have done in their Chapters, and it has been a great pleasure to work with them.

I took over the duties in Radiant Chapter for three meetings and a rehearsal for the Initiation Ceremony until a Deputy was appointed. I have also given all the instruction in Mizpah Chapter No. 2 since the last of January due to Sister Galloway being ill.

In January we held three schools of instructions for the Deputies and Officers of the Chapters. January 28th, in Seaford Chapter room, for all chapters Dover and south; January 30th, in Five Points Chapter room at Newport for all Chapters outside of the City of Wilmington; and January 31st in Mizpah Chapter room in Wilmington for all chapters in the city. These schools were very well attended and the officers were interested in doing their Ritualistic work as instructed. The work was divided so the officers of each Chapter would have some part in the Ritualistic work. I want to thank Seaford, Five Points and Mizpah Chapters for the use of their paraphernalia for these schools.

The report of my contingent fund has been filed with the Grand Trustees.

I do regret that I did not get to attend the Chapters that meet on Thursday evenings as often as I would have liked to have done, due to my duties and responsibilities at Newark Chapter.

I gave Brother William Nutter an examination on 20 questions November 27, 1955.

I have examined the following and issued certificates in "Class A" to:
 Edith Galloway—June 1, 1955 in McDaniel Heights
 Margaret King—February 11, 1956 in Claymont

Jacqueline Kyle—February 1, 1956 in Claymont
 Frances M. Truitt—April 15, 1956 in Claymont
 Edna M. Williams—April 28, 1956 in Wilmington
 Euretta B. Schultheiss—April 28, 1956 in Newark
 Adelaide L. Martin—May 5, 1956 in Claymont
 Robert Wyatt—May 11, 1956 in Claymont
 Ida Case—May 12, 1956 in Claymont
 Jeanette D. Wilson—May 12, 1956 in McDaniel Heights

I have also given Sister Loretta George all the work except the questions, and Brother David Wiberg the opening and closing of their examination in "Class A".

Those examined in work for Worthy Matron for Star Card:

Adelaide Martin—Delaware No. 1, Sept. 9, 1955
 Adela S. Ruth—Mizpah No. 2, Jan. 6, 1956
 Elaine Watson—Julia M. Story No. 3, January 5, 1955
 Dorothy Corkran—St. Johns No. 4, December 15, 1955
 Louise B. Truitt—Adah No. 5, November 30, 1955
 Lottie Cleaver—Sussex No. 7, January 2, 1956
 Mildred Mills—Caesar Rodney No. 8, January 7, 1956
 Euretta Schultheiss—Newark No. 10, November 17, 1955
 Florence Kent—Kent No. 11, December 21, 1955
 Laura Hickman—Frankford No. 12, December 14, 1955
 Margaret Weir—Brandywine No. 14, December 20, 1955
 Margaret D. Tomlinson—Victory No. 15, November 18, 1955
 Frances Tullock—Laurel No. 18, January 7, 1956

Those examined in "Class B" Certificate:

William Tschamber—Delaware No. 1, March 4, 1956
 Jeanette D. Wilson—Mizpah No. 2, December 27, 1955
 Edward W. Kopp—Mizpah No. 2, January 6, 1956
 Iris Lyons—Julia M. Story No. 3, January 11, 1956
 Agnes McMullen—St. Johns No. 4, December 27, 1956
 Edgar Holloway—St. Johns No. 4, December 15, 1955
 Pearl Lecates—Adah No. 5, November 30, 1955
 Joseph J. Maitha—Adah No. 5, December 30, 1955
 Nettie H. Maharly—Radiant No. 6, November 30, 1955
 Elizabeth Tull—Sussex No. 7, December 4, 1955
 Robert Gilbert—Sussex No. 7, December 29, 1955
 Phyllis Jordan—Caesar Rodney No. 8, January 9, 1956
 Bernard Carlisle—Caesar Rodney No. 8, January 7, 1956
 Jacqueline Johnson—Newark No. 10, January 5, 1956
 Michael D'Angelo—Newark No. 10, January 1, 1956
 Jeanette Von Gorres—Kent No. 11, December 21, 1955
 Dolores Varell—Five Points No. 13, January 8, 1956
 Robert Wyatt—Five Points No. 13, January 6, 1956
 Charlotte Outten—Brandywine No. 14, December 29, 1955
 Delcie C. Chambers—Victory No. 15, January 7, 1956
 Paul Coverdale—Victory No. 15, December 13, 1955
 Elizabeth Barnes—Esther No. 17, January 2, 1956

Howard Donovan—Esther No. 17, January 2, 1956

Ruth Pollitt—Laurel No. 18, January 7, 1956

Lawrence Tullock—Laurel No. 18, January 7, 1956

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, it has been a privilege and a pleasure to serve in this Grand Chapter with you and other Grand Officers. I have had a year that will live in my memory, and your kindness, loyalty, and cooperation from the Deputy Grand Lecturer are deeply appreciated, and I thank this Grand Chapter most sincerely again for electing me to this very responsible job as Grand Lecturer.

Fraternally submitted,

ELIZA L. CROSSLAND

Motion was made by Sister Emily Crossland, seconded by Brother Robert Wyatt, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JOB'S DAUGHTERS

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Sisters and Brothers:

The Committee on Job's Daughters makes the following report:

Memberships:

Bethel No. 1	72
Bethel No. 2	137
Bethel No. 3	26
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	261

Total membership in our state at present is 261, an increase of 41 over last year.

We instituted Newark Bethel No. 3 on June 25, 1955 and Chartered it on November 23, 1955. We instituted Wilmington on April 14, 1956 with 26 members and they are working for their Charter.

The Ways & Means Chairmen of all Bethels are doing very nicely. Bethel No. 1 of Gordon Heights made \$550.63 last year and Bethel No. 2, \$515.22. Bethel No. 3 is progressing very nicely and, of course, UD is just starting with Ways & Means.

The Bethels donate annually to the Cancer Fund, Red Cross, Red Feather, Polio, etc.

Bethel No. 1 contributes to an "aged shut-in" with Sunshine Basket. Bethel 1 and 2 take parties to the Masonic Home.

The Honored Queens of Bethel No. 1 and Bethel No. 2 took part in the Grand Guardian Council of Maryland opening Session on May 11.

They presented and gave the tribute to the Delaware State Flag. Gordon and Jackie Kyle took the girls to Baltimore for this ceremony.

Bethel No. 3 instituted the Wilmington Bethel on April 14, 1956 and held a Blue Lodge night in March with 19 Master Masons present.

All Bethels presented "Member of Honor" Certificates to our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron on their Official visits.

All Bethels are anticipating the visit of the Supreme Guardian, Mrs. Laura Seher of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on June 7 and June 8. She will be accompanied by her husband, Mr. Arthur Seher, a Past Associate Supreme Guardian; Mr. Dalton Bundy, Present Associate Supreme Guardian; Mrs. Dee Bundy, Supreme First Messenger. A joint meeting of all Bethels will be held in Fellowship Hall of Grace M.E. Church, 903 West St., at 7:30 P. M. on Thursday, June 7. All are cordially invited to this meeting.

We wish to thank all Eastern Star Chapters for donating 100 per cent to Bethel No. 3 and Bethel No. 4 which were instituted this past year. Your generous donations help to pay for the paraphernalia necessary to start these girls in their respective Bethels and from there on we certainly hope it will not be necessary to call upon you for any further cash donations; however, we do urge that all Eastern Star members continue to attend our meetings whenever possible to give the girls the moral support which is so vital to their ritualistic ceremonies.

GERTRUDE R. GRUBB, *Chairman*
EMMA GEHRET
ELEANOR TYLER

Motion was made by Brother Gordon Kyle, seconded by Adelle Ruth, that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT ON CONSTITUTION AND LAWS

We, your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, in conjunction with the Jurisprudence Committee, have approved the following amendments to by-laws of the subordinate chapter and which were temporarily approved by the Worthy Grand Matron:

St. John's Chapter No. 4—

Article 1, Section 2., which reads

"The stated meetings of this Chapter shall be held on the first and third Thursday of each month, except July and August, at 8:00 P. M.

Insert after the word "August", the following:
 "and the first Thursday in September."

Committee:

THOMAS C. RODWAY
 ROBERT LARRIMORE
 IRMA O. LeCOMPTE

Motion by Past Patron Bro. J. N. Abbott, seconded by Past Matron Sadie Conly, report be accepted and printed in Proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF PRINTING COMMITTEE

We apologize for the delay in the delivery of our Proceedings this year, but adverse circumstances caused a little confusion and misunderstanding.

Our Programs, Official Lists, BALLOTS and other supplies secured through our printer have been satisfactory and furnished without undue delay.

We are looking forward to earlier delivery of the Proceedings for this year.

SYLVIA M. KNOX
 EDITH McLENNAN
 ELIZABETH M. FISHER, *Chairman*

Motion made by Sister Thirza Hall, seconded by Brother Percy Cotty, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EASTERN STAR HOME FUND

May 14, 1956

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
 Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware
 Order of the Eastern Star:

We, your committee on the EASTERN STAR HOME FUND, submit the following report as to the standing of this fund as of April 30th, 1956:

Balance in bank April 30, 1955	\$3,335.97
Interest for the year 1955	100.05
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Amount in Eastern Star Home Fund as of April 30th, 1956	\$3,436.02

A note was received from Sister Marie Roberts, Secretary of Kent Chapter No. 1, stating that as of last year, Kent Chapter had decided to invest in bonds and if, and when, the Home became a reality, they would contribute their bonds to this Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

ADELE GIBBS
DOROTHY QUILLEN
JOHN A. KENNEDY
MARION CRAIG
DORA FITZGERALD
Eastern Star Home Fund Committee

Motion made by Sister Arzie Lewis, seconded by Sister Isabelle Minto, that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Officers and Members of Grand Chapter of Delaware:

We, your Committee on Grievances and Appeals, are pleased to report that nothing has been submitted to us during this year. As far as we know, Peace and Harmony prevail in this Jurisdiction, and we hope it may continue throughout the coming years.

Fraternally submitted,

ELEANOR SMITH
MARIE L. ROBERTS
MARION J. SIMPSON, *Chairman*

Motion made by P.G.P. Brother Warrington, seconded by Sister Sylvia Knox, that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF CHAPTERS UNDER CHARTERS AND DISPENSATION

Past Matron Brandywine Chapter No. 14
SISTER IVAH B. OSTENDARP, Chairman

We, the undersigned Committee on chartered Chapters and Chapters under Dispensation, have verified the membership reports of the eighteen subordinate chapters of Delaware.

The following is a summation of our findings for the year ending December 31, 1955.

Lost by Death	40	Gained by Reinstatement	8
Lost by Demit	34	Gained by Initiation	145
Lost by Suspension	39	Gained by Affiliation	15
		Total Gain—55	

Membership December 31, 1955	3,166
Membership December 31, 1954	3,111

Total Gain 55

Chapters	Members	Initiated	Reinstated	Affiliated	Died	Demit- ted	Sus- pended
Delaware No. 1	342	9	1	7	9	3	11
Mizpah No. 2	240	8	1	3	3	2	1
Julia M. Story No. 3	152	5	1	1	2	1	1
St. John's No. 4	160	9	2	1	3	2	—
Adah No. 5	155	3	—	—	4	1	1
Radiant No. 6	145	7	—	1	3	—	3
Sussex No. 7	147	9	—	—	—	2	1
Caesar Rodney No. 8	160	1	1	—	—	7	5
Georgetown No. 9	137	—	—	—	3	1	—
Newark No. 10	158	7	—	—	—	1	—
Kent No. 11	160	3	—	—	2	1	1
Frankford No. 12	217	6	—	—	3	1	7
Five Points No. 13	359	37	—	1	2	3	4
Brandywine No. 14	196	11	1	1	3	4	4
Victory No. 15	141	7	1	—	2	5	—
Unity No. 16	170	10	—	—	—	—	—
Esther No. 17	56	5	—	—	1	—	—
Laurel No. 18	71	8	—	—	—	—	—

Fraternally submitted,

IVAH B. OSTENDARP, *Chairman*
MARIE BURRIS
GROOME MEARS

Motion made by P.G.M. Sister Bessie Warrington, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Marian Simpson that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENT'S REPORT

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware,
Order of the Eastern Star:

Like Ruth of old, gathering here a little and there a little, we, your Fraternal Correspondents, have completed a most enjoyable journey via the Proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions. We find that the Order of the Eastern Star is basically the same the world over.

It is difficult to visualize the beautiful settings, pageantry, and Ceremonies: but the common tie which binds us in Christian Love is evident in all parts of the country. The Open Holy Bible, the source of all Wisdom and Strength, rests upon every Altar as a testimony of our belief in Him Whose Star we follow. All meetings open and close with a Prayer. Divine Services precede many Grand Chapter Sessions. An hour of Remembrance for those who have departed from us is observed in Solemn Ceremonies. Welcomes are extended by mayors, governors, and other officials in almost every Grand Jurisdiction.

Our flag is always our most honored guest; it is presented with proper ceremony and tribute, often followed by the State, Christian, and Eastern Star flags. In states bordering Canada, our two flags share honors, symbolic of the friendship and good will existing between our two nations. An International Peace Garden of approximately 2200 acres is located in Manitoba, Canada, and North Dakota. Upon a bronze plaque are inscribed these words—"To God in His Glory, we two nations dedicate this Garden and Pledge ourselves as long as man shall live, we shall never take up arms against each other."

It is with justifiable pride that we point to the fact that from an humble beginning in 1850, our Order has grown into the largest Fraternal Organization in the world with membership open to both men and women. The Order is composed of four governing bodies: The General Grand Chapter, The Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland, and the Independent Grand Chapters of New York, and New Jersey.

The General Grand Chapter was organized in Indianapolis, Indiana, in 1876, meets triennially, and has jurisdiction over 56 Grand Chapters and Subordinate Chapters in Alaska, Yukon Territory, Hawaii, China, Japan, Phillipine Islands, Guam, Okinawa, Mexico, The Canal Zone, Cuba, Bermuda, and West Germany. The Ritual is translated into Spanish, Chinese, Italian, and German. The Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland was organized in 1904, meets semi-annually for one day only, and has jurisdiction over Australia, and Chapters in England, Ireland, New Zealand, India, and South Africa. The Independent Grand Chapter of New York was organized in 1869, and uses the McCoy Ritual, which admits to membership the Grand Daughters and Nieces of Master Masons. The Independent Grand Chapter of New Jersey was organized in 1870. They use a Ritual formulated by themselves.

Our benevolent work is unsurpassed. Every Grand Jurisdiction is most generous in its response to charitable work, such as Cancer Research and Dressings Stations, Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children, Veterans' Hospitals, Maintenance of Homes, Hospitals, Blood Banks, Overseas Relief, and Youth Education. The Order of the Eastern Star recognizes the urgency of constructive Youth Guidance, and nearly all Grand Chapters sponsor youth organizations. 45 states sponsor Rainbow for girls, which is one of the largest youth organizations in the world; 29 sponsor Job's Daughters, and 19 have both. New York has "The Daughters of the Eastern Star", and Florida—"The Beautitudes". These organizations are helping to shape the lives of over 50,000 girls.

Our International Eastern Star Temple in Washington, D. C. is a pride of all members of the Order. It is the headquarters for the General Grand Chapter. Since our Order is international no flag flies over this beautiful building; but a large electric star in a pentagon surrounded by a circle sends forth its shining message of Charity, Truth, and Loving Kindness towards all.

I would like to include a few items, which we feel might be of interest to our members:

In Alberta, Canada, a mother, daughter and aunt were initiated together; grandmother is also a member, making three generations. Conductress and Associate Conductress conducted their daughters, and a mother her son through the Ceremony of Initiation.

One Chapter in British Columbia, Canada, has a hand hooked labyrinth carpet made by the members.

Louisiana has one Chapter, which meets only on Sundays.

Minnesota: The Grand Officers conferred degrees in thirty-five Chapters.

Montana: A piece of furniture was placed in International Temple in Washington, D. C. in honor of Sister Anna Smalley, Past Grand Matron of Montana, and Past Most Worthy Grand Matron.

Only one Chapter in West Virginia meets on Wednesday, and that is the Wednesday after the full moon.

Nebraska: One hundred and two Certificates and Pins were presented to fifty-year members. Grand Organist and Grand Marshal were Brothers.

Pennsylvania maintains two Eastern Star Homes, and is the home state of our Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Florence Plummer.

In Alabama the Subordinate Chapters are graded on work at their own request.

The Grand Secretary of Colorado has served 24 years, and was given a Gift of Love (\$1,000.00) as a token of appreciation.

The Grand Session of Connecticut was addressed by the Secretary of State who was a sister and a member of the Worthy Grand Patron's home Chapter.

Florida furnished 33 rooms in the Masonic Home. More visitors than members attended the Grand Chapter Session.

An Associate Conductress in Idaho drives over 100 miles to attend meetings.

At the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland, a Brother was presented a gift in appreciation for serving one Chapter as Worthy Patron for 25 years.

Thank you, Sister Sara, and Sister Mildred, for your splendid reports: also thanks to Sister Elizabeth Fisher, our Grand Secretary, for your effort in forwarding the Proceedings to us so promptly. Worthy Grand Matron, we thank you for this opportunity of serving as Fraternal Correspondents for this year.

On behalf of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, we extend Fraternal Greetings to all Grand Jurisdictions.

Fraternally submitted,

MILDRED H. MINNER, *Assoc. Grand Conductress*
 SARAH HOFFMAN, *Grand Conductress*
 MARY BEVIS, *Associate Grand Matron*

Motion made by P.G.M. Sister Sarah Riggin, seconded by P.G.P. Brother Warrington, that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

May 15, 1956

We, your Committee on Registration, submit the following report: 11 states and Canada registered 215 visitors.

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED R. LEE, *Chairman*
 MAY M. PAYNE, *Acting Chairman*

Motion made by P.G.M. Sister Bessie Warrington, seconded by Sister Sylvia M. Knox, that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF V.A. HOSPITAL REHABILITATION

May 12, 1956

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and
 Members of the Order of Eastern Star in Delaware:

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Once again, it is our pleasure to report to you of our activities in our Veterans Administration Hospital in Elsmere, Wilmington, Delaware.

It was a pleasure to work with Brother George Ostendarp as co-chairman for the short time he was able to serve, and we were sorry he had to resign due to other commitments. Thank you, Brother George for your loyalty.

In December, Brother John Conley was appointed as co-chairman and your chairman is most happy for his appointment. Brother "Jack" is

on hand at most of the meetings and has been so helpful at other times, having been of great service in the entertainment of our "7-W" patients at the party given by Frankford Chapter on April 24th. He also presented a number of pieces of "beaver" board to Occupational Therapy to be used by patients who need the board in their drawings, and has offered his services in many other ways. Thank you, Brother Jack.

Worthy Matron Sister Vera Ellis and Brother Joe Ellis also helped with Frankford Chapter No. 12 V.A. party.

On May 26, 1955, your chairman received a "500" hour certificate which made, at that time, over 1500 hours of volunteer service to our Veterans Administration Hospital. She was also on the Refreshment Program at that time.

The first annual banquet of the V.A.V.S. (Veterans Administration Volunteer Service) was held on June 2, 1955, at the Wanamaker Store, at which time your chairman was the ticket chairman and also a hostess.

On July 19th, Radiant Chapter No. 6 held a party on "6-E", a T.B. ward, and served ice cream, homemade cake, and candy. Bingo was played, as it is permitted in Veterans Administration Hospitals since no money is involved, and lovely prizes were provided. A "Little Brown Jug", filled with after-shave lotion, was given to each patient as a gift. The boys enjoyed the sociability as much as the prizes and refreshments.

The monthly "Refreshment Program" which we had served on the third Sunday of each month from November, 1946, was discontinued due to longer visiting hours, so, with the permission of the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth Laws, and the Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Norris, a letter was sent to each Chapter asking them to take a party to "6-E", "7-E" and "7-W", or "8", as these wards are T.B. and M.P. wards. A wonderful response was received and, to date, three parties have been given with others to serve in the future. This project is greatly appreciated by patients and staff.

The Worthy Grand Patron asked each Chapter to contribute the contents of the cheer cup to purchasing hobby materials to be used by long-term patients and, at the Grand Visit to each Chapter, this was done. I have listed each contribution and the total amount on a separate sheet. Supplies were purchased at a discount, given to Miss Mary Cornelius (a member of our Order in Pennsylvania) who is the Recreation Director of our Veterans Administration Hospital, and letters of appreciation have been received from Dr. W. Major Gasper, manager of the hospital. Copies of these letters have been sent to chapter chairmen. Brother and Sister Schultheiss of Newark Chapter No. 10 donated 132 pieces of green-ware (ceramics) to the Occupational Therapy service of the hospital, and many other items were presented by other members too numerous to mention.

Your chairman attended a three-way veterans hospital volunteer conference in Baltimore, Maryland, on February 21st. Speakers from the Central Office in Washington, D. C., explained several phases of the work

for volunteers. Mr. J. J. Crowe, Chief of Special Services at our V.A. Hospital, drove our group to the conference.

On April 16th, your chairman had the pleasure of receiving her second 1000 hour certificate, making a total of over 2000 hours of volunteer service, and, also, was greatly honored by being voted the alternate "Outstanding Volunteer" of our V. A. Hospital in Elsmere. The program was in conjunction with 172 other Veterans Administration Hospitals in our nation. Sister Helen M. Welsh also received another 100 hour certificate and, to Sister Helen, I offer my sincerest appreciation for her continued assistance.

We, your chairman and Sister Helen, served as pages for the New Castle County Medical Association conference on April 17th, this being the seventh year that we have served.

Your chairman serves one day each week as a "Welcoming Volunteer" to new patients, and Sister Helen serves two days a month in another capacity.

Hospital Day was observed at the Veterans Hospital on Friday, May 11th, and your chairman was on the committee again, acting as treasurer for the "Hospital Day Booklet" and again making 200 rosebud boutonnieres for the women guests on that day. Sister Welsh was on hand helping in an efficient manner.

The second annual banquet of the V.A.V.S. is to be held on June 7th at the Kent Manor Inn with our Governor and many other State and local officials planning to be present. Again, your chairman is ticket chairman for this affair.

We are so thankful to the officers and members of our Subordinate Chapters for their wonderful cooperation in making this year another one of satisfactory service in our hospital. As before, letters of "Thanks" have been received from the hospital manager, Dr. W. Major Gasper, and copies sent to each Chapter.

Copies of monthly minutes and all other items of important news and invitations were sent to the Worthy Grand Matron.

Over 700 hours of volunteer service have been given to our Veterans Administration Hospital this past year.

Individual "Thank you's" are impossible, but to each one who helped us carry on the work which is so much needed and appreciated by the patients and staff of our V. A. Hospital, we say "Thank you" and may God bless each one of you who has given of your substance to help those less fortunate. Let us remember His words: "And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men." Colossians 3, 23.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE "HOBBY" PROJECT

<i>Chapter</i>		<i>Chapter</i>	
Delaware No. 1	\$ 10.00	Newark No. 10	14.00
Mizpah No. 2	15.15	Kent No. 11	15.30

Julia M. Story No. 3.....	9.00	Frankford No. 12	25.56
St. John's No. 4	10.11	Five Points No. 13	25.00
Adah No. 5	14.84	Brandywine No. 14	10.00
Radiant No. 6	9.29	Victory No. 15	10.00
Sussex No. 7	25.25	Unity No. 16	23.00
Caesar Rodney No. 8.....	10.50	Esther No. 17	13.64
Georgetown No. 9	10.20	Laurel No. 18	13.92
Total contributions—\$264.76			

Supplies on hand as of May 12, 1956:

22000	paper cups
2000	paper napkins
1	O.E.S. cloth
2	trays (tin)
2	towels

(We supply paper cups and paper napkins for V. A. Hospital parties)

Contingent Fund as of May, 1955:

Balance on hand	\$10.26
Check for 1956	10.00
Total	<u>\$20.26</u>

Expenses for period May, 1955 to May, 1956:

100 stamped envelopes	\$ 3.65
Re-fill for ball point pen49
Writing paper50
Transportation for year	3.00
2 tickets for V.A.V.S. banquet (2 oriented workers @ \$3.50 ea.)....	7.00
Total expenses	<u>\$14.64</u>
Fund as of May, 1955	\$20.26
Expenses, 1955-56	<u>14.64</u>
Balance as of May 12, 1956	\$ 5.62

Fraternally submitted,

SADIE C. CONLY, P.M., *Hospital Chairman*JOHN CONLEY, *Hospital Co-chairman*

Motion made by Sister Edna Johnson, seconded by Sister Isabelle Minto, that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Motion made by Sister Bessie Warrington, seconded by Brother Charles Cleaver, that the request for \$2.00 for the Hospital Booklet be granted.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF RED CROSS COMMITTEE

Delaware Chapter No. 1.....	No report
Mizpah Chapter No. 2.....	149 hours
Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3.....	No report
St. John's Chapter No. 4.....	No report
Adah Chapter No. 5.....	No report
Radiant Chapter No. 6.....	1 course home nursing—12 hours
Sussex Chapter No. 7.....	\$5.00 donation
Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8.....	\$10.00 donation
Georgetown Chapter No. 9.....	\$10.00 donation to flood victims
	18 hours Red Cross Chairman of Nurses' Area No. 8
	16 hours, joint planning of Red Cross and Civilian Defense
	50 hours Ambulance duty
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	84 hours
Newark Chapter No. 10.....	No report
Kent Chapter No. 11.....	12 hours, home nursing
Frankford Chapter No. 12.....	\$10.00 donation
Five Points Chapter No. 13.....	399½ hours
Brandywine Chapter No. 14.....	1 pint of blood
	20 pairs women's shorts
Victory Chapter No. 15.....	20 hours
	\$10.00 donation
Unity Chapter No. 16.....	12 hours teaching
	8 hours disaster nursing
	6 hours soliciting
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	26 hours
	\$5.00 donation to Lewes Red Cross
	\$5.00 donation to Rehoboth Red Cross
Esther Chapter No. 17.....	\$10.00 donation
Laurel Chapter No. 18.....	\$10.00 donation
This gives a grand total of	1 pint of blood
	20 pairs women's apparel
	\$75.00 donation
	702½ hours

Report was read by Sister Evelyn Reynolds, Worthy Matron of Esther Chapter No. 17.

Respectfully submitted

PATRICIA C. MEARS

Supplementary report received after above report was read.

From January '55 to May '56

220 hours sewing

80 hours Hospital work

40 night shirts to Bacon Center
3 boxes of clothing to Bacon Center

Red Cross, Delaware Chapter
BERTHA KELLEY

Motion by Past Matron Myrtle Shaub, seconded by Past Matron Edith Labour, report be accepted and printed in Proceedings.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

May 15, 1956

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Distinguished Guests, Sisters and Brothers:

We, your Hospitality Committee, have thoroughly enjoyed serving at your "Gleaners Session" and greatly appreciate the opportunity of welcoming so many distinguished guests to our Grand Chapter.

This committee, last evening, was thrilled for the privilege of escorting into our Grand Chapter Room, Rev. Willard G. Purdy, Minister of First and Central Presbyterian Church, Governor Caleb J. Boggs, Mayor August F. Walz, Mr. W. Harrison Phillips, Past Potentate of Nur Temple, Mr. Haswell Pierce, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Delaware, Mr. John G. Leech, the principal speaker at the Informal Opening, Mr. L. G. Seebach, Director, Delaware School for Handicapped, Inc., Mr. James W. Williams, Kutner School, and distinguished guests from the States of Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Florida, Ohio, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Ontario, Canada.

Our Grand Representative from the State of Florida, Sister Margaret Carlton, has made the statement that it was worth her trip to Delaware just to hear the very inspiring message given by Mr. Leech last evening.

There were 47 present at the Past Grand Matrons and Patrons dinner last evening in the DuBarry Room.

Eight of our guests were entertained at luncheon yesterday in the Green Room of this hotel, and six today for luncheon in the Brandywine Room.

We hope our visitors have enjoyed our session and that they will return to Delaware at some future date.

The Hospitality Committee thanks the Past Matrons and Past Patrons Association for the \$25.00 check given them.

Thank you, Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, for the privilege of serving.

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIAN LARRIMORE
 ELVIRA ZIEGLER
 FRED WARRINGTON
 KENDALL GIBBS
 HENRY MILLER
 ARCHIE FORD
 ALICE C. ABBOTT, *Chairman*

Motion by Sister Kate Boyer, seconded by Brother Edward Pelham, that report be accepted and spread in minutes.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF SESSIONS COMMITTEE

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, O.E.S.

Sister and Brothers:

A meeting of the Sessions Committee was held at the home of the chairman on Feb. 29, 1956, to formulate plans for the 35th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware O.E.S., known as the Gleaner Session, in the Gold Ballroom of the Hotel DuPont on May 14 and 15. Seven members were present and two future meetings were held on April 9 and 30.

The flowers worn by the pages were made by the committee under the very capable instructions of Sister Jean Lutten, Associate Conductress of Five Points Chapter, also the bonnets worn by the Worthy Matrons and Junior Past Matrons, the leaves carried by the Worthy Patrons and Junior Past Patrons to form the foliage of our human yellow rose in the informal opening, the silk bags carried by the Pages throughout the session were all made by the members of the Sessions Committee, along with our Grand Lecturer, for which I offer my sincere thanks.

Our grateful appreciation to the Hospitality Committee for their cooperation and the attention given our distinguished guests and visitors at this session.

I also wish to thank Bros. Ross Lanus and Edward Sharply for the Gleaner sign in the East and the sign in the foyer; to Sister Alice Minner for her part in securing the mannequins in the Grand East, and to Sister Irene Zimmerman of Philadelphia for the material for the mannequins.

I am deeply grateful to my home chapter, Five Points No. 13, for donating the money for the yellow bonnets, for paying the hauling charges for the organ, and for the insurance premiums covering paraphernalia, mannequins, and organ and for their assistance and the help of all the Sisters and Brothers in decorating this Grand Chapter room. To all of you, thank you very much and I shall always be grateful.

The pictures were painted by Mr. Harry Labour, husband of Sister Edith Labour, and we will be happy to sell any of them if you are interested. See the Grand Secretary or your sessions chairman. Our thanks to Bro. Ervin Putzier of Five Points Chapter for framing the pictures.

To Sister Callie Woods, Past Matron of Radiant Chapter and a member of my committee, may I publicly thank you for mimeographing the tribute to our Worthy Grand Matron, "The Yellow Rose of Delaware." A big "thank you" to Sister Lorraine Putzier for assisting our Grand Organist at the organ.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, it has meant work to get ready for this Session but your committee has enjoyed every minute of it and I am sure we have put on a few pounds due to the refreshment period after our labor. If you are pleased, we are happy and we thank you for the privilege of serving, as it has brought us closer together while working for you and our beautiful order of which we are very proud.

We would like to thank our Grand Secretary for her part in helping with our rose leaf bonnets, and we would like letters of appreciation sent to Le Compte Co., Dela. Ave. and Union St., Organ; Mr. Wm. Craig, Kennard's, Mannequine; Mr. Harry Labour, pictures; Mr. Edw. Sharply, signs; and I am sure our Worthy Grand Matron would like to express personally our thanks in behalf of the Grand Chapter to her friend, Sister Irene Zimmerman of Philadelphia.

Fraternally submitted,

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE
Sessions Chairman

Motion by Past Grand Patron Bro. I. Kendall Gibbs, seconded by Past Grand Matron Sister Lillian Larrimore, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

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Worthy Grand Matron Sister Ruth Laws' appreciation remarks to Sister Elizabeth Pierce, Chairman of Sessions Committee.

I have not written a welcome for you because I did not know what I was going to see or say. For quite some time I have been told I was not wanted. I did not know what was going on and I am glad I didn't because the thrill of a lifetime was when I entered the room this morning—it far surpasses any words that I might say. "Thank you" is not enough but I do thank you from the bottom of my heart. Sister Elizabeth, you have worked day and night too because when talking to me on the "phone" you have said, "I did not sleep last night for thinking of — Good-bye, I can't tell you." You have really been a wonderful leader. I appreciate so much all that you and your group have done for me and our Grand Chapter.

The paintings were done by Mr. Harry Labour and the frames were made by Brother Irvin Putzier. Thank you all again.

Another First and a Big Thrill was the Kohn Electric Organ in the Grand Ball Room played by Sister Lorraine Putzier of Five Points Chapter No. 13.

The piano and organ duets, played by our Grand Organist, Sister Lanah Milbourn of Kent Chapter No. 11 and Sister Lorraine Putzier, were beautifully rendered and enjoyed by everyone present.

Motion by Past Patron Brother J. Nelson Abbott, seconded by Past Grand Patron Brother Robert Larrimore, we dispense with the reading of the minutes of Monday Session. (Voting on first reading of Revision of Constitution and in the evening Reception of Distinguished Guests). This will be printed in proceedings.

REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE ON THE REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON

We have reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Patron and congratulate him for his sincere effort in spreading the spirit of fraternalism in this jurisdiction.

We approve the report and also the recommendation submitted.

CHAS. V. CLEAVER

BESSIE WARRINGTON

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE, *Chairman*

Motion by Past Grand Patron Brother Charles Cleaver, seconded by Past Grand Patron Brother Fred Warrington, report of Jurisprudence Committee on the report of the Worthy Grand Patron be accepted and the recommendation complied with.

Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE ON THE REPORT OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON

We have carefully reviewed the report of the Worthy Grand Matron, and commend her for her zeal and effort in the interest of our order and congratulate her on the results.

We approve all dispensations granted.

We approve all questions and answers.

We also approve the recommendation, and feel this will clarify the boundaries as set by the subordinate chapters, in and around Wilmington.

CHAS. V. CLEAVER

BESSIE WARRINGTON

ELIZABETH E. PIERCE, *Chairman*

Motion by Past Grand Patron Brother Charles Cleaver, seconded by Past Grand Matron Sister Elizabeth Pierce, that report of the Jurisprudence Committee on the report of the Worthy Grand Matron be accepted and the recommendation complied with.

Motion adopted.

After each item was again presented, discussed and approved by the members of the Grand Chapter for the second reading, motion was made by Past Grand Matron Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce, seconded by Past Grand Patron Brother Thomas C. Rodway, that these revisions, with the exception of Article 4, Section 3, be accepted.

Motion adopted.

MINUTES OF MORNING AND AFTERNOON SESSION

Motion made by P.G.M. Sister Alice Abbott, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Bessie Warrington, that minutes be accepted as read and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Grand Marshal proclaimed Grand Chapter to recess to reconvene at 8:00 o'clock.

TUESDAY EVENING - 8:00 P. M.

Grand Chapter called to order by Sessions Chairman, Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce. Presenting:

MRS. BESSIE WARRINGTON, P.G.M.
MR. FRED WARRINGTON, P.G.P.

Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron:

This is the end of a perfect year. The volume of your Eastern Star history will soon be finished and laid away.

You have served this Grand Chapter faithfully and well. You have been just in your dealings; you have done unto others as you would that they should do unto you; and as you have brought sunshine into the lives of others, may God scatter sunshine and His blessings into your lives.

*"A little white house on a little side street,
At the edge of a good little town,
Just a little white house in a fine little yard
That seeks neither pride nor renown.
There are bright little panes in the little white house
That gleam with the kindest eyes
That ever gleamed forth on a green summer world,
Or smiled at the grey winter skies"*

and there waiting and watching is our Pierce, and your Pierce, our Eunice and your Eunice.

Again thanking you for the privilege of opening this, your last session, "Thanks a million."

Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Ruth, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Norris, one year ago I had the privilege of having a part in your installation, and tonight I feel it is another honor for me to assist Sister Bess in opening this, your final session.

We have been with you on every possible occasion, qualifying almost as "Regular Trailers", and I assure you that your remarks, and devotion to the principles of our Order, made many, many friends for you both throughout your year.

My congratulations to you, Sister Ruth and Brother Norris, for a year of service well done, and we will welcome you both into the ranks of Past Grands very soon.

*"May the love you've shown to others
Follow you where'er you go;
May the lives you've cheered and cherished
Warm your hearts with a hallowed glow;
May you always have peace and gladness
For the good that you have done;
For your Eastern Star devotion
And the lasting love you've won."*

FRED H. WARRINGTON, P.G.P.

May 15, 1956

REPORT OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware,
Order of Eastern Star:

We, your Committee on Unfinished Business, have nothing to report.

GRACE S. MOORE
GLADYS LYNCH
HORACE H. FULMER

Motion made by Sister Beatrice Gilbert, seconded by Brother Wyatt, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron,
Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Delaware,
Order of the Eastern Star:

This is a report of the Most Worthy Grand Matron's project, that of sending good used clothing and non-perishable food to the needy in Germany and Korea.

Delaware Chapter No. 1—2 boxes to Star of Germany Chapter, weighing 104 lbs.

Adah Chapter No. 5—2 boxes, one to Berlin Chapter No. 5 and one to Wurzburg Chapter No. 7.

Radiant Chapter No. 6—2 boxes to Germany, weight approximately 60 lbs.

Sussex Chapter No. 7—1 box to Wurzburg Chapter No. 7.

Kent Chapter No. 11—2 boxes, one to Heidelberg Chapter No. 3 and one to Berlin Chapter No. 5.

Frankford Chapter No. 12—3 boxes to Korea, and one to Germany.

Unity Chapter No. 16—1 box to Wurzburg Chapter No. 7.

Laurel Chapter No. 18—2 boxes to Heidelberg Chapter No. 3.

Respectfully submitted,

ELVIRA J. ZIEGLER, P.G.M.

Motion by Past Grand Matron Sister Elvira J. Ziegler, seconded by Past Grand Matron Sister Jane Zebley, report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

Brother J. Nelson Abbott made a motion that all bills for this Session be allowed. Motion seconded by Brother J. Albert Kumpel.

Motion adopted.

Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce made a motion, seconded by Sister Bessie Warrington, that flowers be sent to P.G.M. Sister M. Etta Keys, Edna M. Gifford, Mary E. Clower, and Irene Bauer.

Motion adopted.

Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, and
Members of the Grand Chapter:

On April 8, 1956, services were held at the Masonic Home of Delaware sponsored by the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. Worthy Grand Matron Sister Ruth M. Laws and Worthy Grand Patron Brother Norris A. Tull, were introduced to the guests and visitors, and each made a brief talk. Scripture reading, Ruth 1:8-18, was given by Grand Chaplain Sister Eunice Tull and she followed this with a prayer. Two solos were rendered by Sister Jeanette Gutzke, a member and Past Matron of Brandywine Chapter No. 14. The message of the afternoon was given by Rev. Donzell C. Wildey, Pastor of Calvary Methodist Church in Milford, Delaware.

Weather conditions were not too good but I am sure everyone who attended the service felt that it was worth while.

My sincere thanks to everyone who helped to bring an afternoon of religious service to the guests at the Masonic Home.

FRED H. WARRINGTON, P.G.P.
Chairman, Masonic Home Church Service

Motion made by Sister Elvira Ziegler, seconded by Sister Bessie Miles, that report be accepted and printed in proceedings.

Motion adopted.

TUESDAY - 8:00 P. M.

Grand Secretary announced that she had received letters from the Right Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Florence Plummer, and Right Worthy Grand Patron, Brother McCrea, and many more of General Grand Chapter officers.

Motion was made by Brother Kendall Gibbs, seconded by P.G.M. Sister Jane Zebley, that the Constitution and By-Laws be printed and mailed to all delegates thirty days before Session.

A motion was made by P.G.M. Sister Jane Zebley, seconded by P.G.P. Brother Fred Warrington, to send greetings to Sister Minnie E. Keyes.

Sister Sarah Riggin presented three jewels to be used by the Grand Trustees which had been given in memory of the mothers of three of the Past Grand Matrons, Sister Elizabeth Pierce, Sister Alice M. Abbott, and Sister Lillian Larrimore.

PRESENTATION OF GRAND TRUSTEES' JEWELS

Given by Past Grand Matrons

Sister Elizabeth E. Pierce - Alice C. Abbott - Lillian E. Larrimore

Presented to Grand Chapter by

Past Grand Matron Sister Sarah E. Riggin

I have been given a very beautiful duty—that of presenting for these three sisters a gift to the Grand Chapter of Delaware in memory of their mothers, three Jewels for the Grand Trustees. This is a very appropriate time for this gift; Sunday was "Mother's Day" and the longer I have thought about it, I have thought how appropriate that they should have chosen the Jewel that is worn by the Grand Trustees. A mother is a Grand Trustee in the life of her children.

In the center of each Jewel is a key. A key that locks out the things mother would say "forget." The key that locks out of our minds and our hearts the unkind thoughts and feelings.

The second locks into our hearts and minds all the good things.

The third key is the key that opens the final door. From the day they were born, Mother has taught them it was not the duration of life but the donation of life that was the important thing and they donated not only to their children but to the community and their friends much of their time and thought.

I am sure each one of them would say a first bit of advice Mother gave them was to be kind, forbearing and forgiving.

None of us have to use the second key but none of us can avoid using the third key—the opening of the final Door.

In our Chapters we say within the pentagon is the most sacred place as our Mothers are our most sacred memories.

The colors on this cord are Blue, Yellow, White, Green and Red. The blue of Adah. She was not afraid. Mothers are never afraid. They are not afraid because of their love of their children. The Yellow of Ruth: It is very significant of their labor of love and by this we can remember that these girls were taught that it was not as important to make a good living as to make a good life. The White of Esther signifies purity, a pure and upright life. The Green signifies faith—the Star Point that teaches us of the uncertainty of human life and each of these mothers knew something about this and these daughters were taught these lessons. The Red is significant of love and someone has said of Mother—she loves you when you are naughty and she loves you when you are good, and Mother is the only one who loves you just ‘because.’ Love is a part of her life.

I hope that as the Trustees wear these Jewels given in memory of these three Mothers, Mrs. Georgiana Davis, mother of Lillian Larrimore; Mrs. Millie Charsha, mother of Alice Abbott; and Sister Elizabeth Cathcart, mother of Elizabeth Pierce, it will be with the thought that we should all live as did the Mothers of these three girls and may we each approach the Final Door with the same unflinching trust “as one who wraps the draperies of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams.”

So it is with love for the Grand Chapter and in loving memory of their Mothers that these Past Grand Matrons present these jewels to the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

ACCEPTANCE OF JEWELS

Brother J. Nelson Abbott, Grand Trustee, accepted the jewels for the Grand Chapter of Delaware.

I am very pleased and happy to accept these jewels presented to the Grand Chapter by these three Past Grand Matrons in memory of their mothers—they were very dear to each of them. Unfortunately, I did not know Sister Lillian’s mother but Sister Elizabeth’s mother was a part of our family and Sister Alice’s mother was a very important member of our household for many years and the best mother-in-law anyone ever had. I hope these jewels will bring back fond memories of these fine mothers.

FAREWELL ADDRESS OF WORTHY GRAND MATRON
RUTH M. LAWS

All too quickly a most wonderful year has come to an end. This has been a year of making new friends, renewing old friendships, and greeting both.

My aim has been to let everyone know what this beautiful Order means to me and what I hope it means to each of us.

If our Star, His Star, shines a little brighter for anyone with whom I have rubbed shoulders, then my prayer has been answered.

I am very much indebted to this Grand Chapter and all of the subordinate chapters. Really, all I can say is "Thank you, from the bottom of my heart!"

And now, Dear Lord, my humble thanks for holding my hand all the way. I do pray that I have pleased, at least part of the time, and, Dear Lord, "If I have wounded any soul this year, or caused one soul to shed a tear, please forgive."

FAREWELL REMARKS OF WORTHY GRAND PATRON
NORRIS TULL

One year ago you elected me to the highest office you can bestow upon a brother in the Grand Chapter, and I thank you for having had this privilege. It has been a pleasure to work with Sister Ruth, Worthy Grand Matron, and I have appreciated the many courtesies extended to me by all Grand Officers and members of the Order.

To Sister Mary and Brother Bill I extend to you my very best wishes for a year of Success, Achievement, and Happiness.

INSTALLATION CEREMONY

Past Grand Matron Sister Sarah Riggin presided during the Installation ceremony for all Grand Officers except Worthy Grand Patron Brother William F. Nutter who was installed by Past Grand Matron Sister Elizabeth Pierce.

Past Grand Patron Charles Cleaver gave the Obligation.

Officers of Unity Chapter No. 16, with a ceremony, presented a gift and a very beautiful basket of flowers to the newly elected Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary Bevis, a member of their own chapter.

The Officers of St. John's Chapter No. 4, with a ceremony of appropriate verses, presented the newly elected Worthy Grand Patron, Wm. F. Nutter, with gifts from the Officers and members of St. John's Chapter.

Sister Mary and Brother Bill each expressed their appreciation.

Sister Helen Weldie, Grand Marshal, presented a gift to the retiring Grand Matron, Sister Ruth Laws, from her Grand family. Sister Helen also presented a gift to the retiring Grand Patron, Brother Norris Tull, from the Grand family.

Worthy Matron Sister Beatrice Gilbert presented a gift from Sussex Chapter to Brother Norris Tull.

Past Patron Brother Pierce Laws presented Past Grand Matron's jewel to his wife, Sister Ruth M. Laws, retiring Worthy Grand Matron.

Sister Eunice Tull presented the Past Grand Patron's jewel to Brother Norris Tull, retiring Worthy Grand Patron.

Sister Ruth Laws presented the Grand Chapter's travelling jewel to Sister Mary Bevis.

Brother Norris Tull presented the Worthy Grand Patron with the Grand Chapter travelling jewel, the Worthy Grand Patron's seal, gavel, and other incidentals.

Mabel Guthrie presented a gift to the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary Bevis, from her grand family.

She also presented a gift to the Worthy Grand Patron, Wm. Nutter, from the Grand family.

Past Grand Matron Sister Sarah Riggin thanked those who assisted in the Installation ceremony and thanked Sister Ruth Laws for giving her the opportunity to install.

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

MARY BEVIS, Worthy Grand Matron

Sisters and Brothers, only those who have passed this way can truly understand my feelings at this time. As I stand before you tonight there is pride and humility in my heart, and a very deep feeling of gratitude to this Grand Chapter for conferring this high degree on my Chapter and me.

My sincerest appreciation to you, Sister Sarah Riggin, and to the assisting Grand Officers for this beautiful installation. I am sure this entire Grand Chapter has thoroughly enjoyed this impressive Installation Ceremony. It has been my desire since I started my journey to the Grand East that you might be privileged to install me and our Officers. Brother Charles, in 1946 you installed me as Worthy Matron of Unity Chapter U.D., and I am happy that you could have a part in my installation tonight.

As I stood at the Altar and heard the many responsibilities enumerated to me, it was a sacred moment. I bring no gifts to this exalted position—just a willingness to serve and a sincere desire to promote the Welfare and Prosperity of our Order. May God grant me the necessary

Wisdom, Courage and Understanding to be fair and just in all my dealings, to be cautious in the execution of my sacred trust, thus promoting the spirit of Unity and good will throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

Sister Ruth, junior Past Grand Matron, and Brother Norris, junior Past Grand Patron, you have had a splendid year of achievement and a wonderful Grand Chapter Session. I congratulate you both. It has been a pleasure to work with you for a number of years and please remember, we will still need your advice and support.

Will the members of Unity Chapter No. 16 please stand? To my own Chapter—one of the greatest pleasures in assuming this office is the privilege of sharing it with you. Knowing that I have the faith and understanding of home folks will help me to do my best, to be worthy of you. I know many have put forth great effort, and I thank you so much for being here tonight.

Now, will the members of Georgetown Chapter No. 9 please stand? To you, my mother Chapter, I owe much. You elected me to membership in our beautiful Order, and started me on my way to the East. For this I am most grateful, and with you I also wish to share this honor.

To all the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, I honor and admire you for the fine path you have prepared for us to travel on. You, who know so well what is before us on that path, we ask of you wise counsel and understanding.

To our Grand Family—Elected and Appointed: We are especially proud and thankful for you. May each of us enjoy our year of service, remembering that the only honor in any position is derived from service faithfully rendered. We also extend best wishes and appreciation to our Grand Chapter Committee members, who so willingly accepted their responsibilities.

To my husband: Brother Bill, you have been most helpful and thoughtful of me in all my Eastern Star activities, and I am counting on you for patient understanding and assistance for the year ahead.

I am grateful to the members of this Grand Chapter for electing Brother William Nutter to share the Grand East and its responsibilities with me. Brother Bill, I know I may rely on your loyalty, and that I will always receive your wise counsel. I am delighted to have your wife, Ruth, as our Grand Ruth. I know she will fill her station with dignity and will be an inspiration to both of us this year.

Sisters and Brothers, we have no new projects for the year; but urge your wholehearted support of our Summer Benefit for the handicapped children of Delaware, and the Shriners' Hospital, the Veterans' Hospital rehabilitation project; and let us remember our guests at the Masonic Home. We also ask your support of our General Grand Chapter projects: Eastern Star Awards for Religious Leadership, International Temple Fund, and Overseas Relief for the Needy.

Our colors for this year are green and white: Nature's green for the Faith and Hope we need to sustain us in life, and white for light that others may see our good works.

Our Flower: The Rose.

Our Scripture Verse: Proverbs: 3:6. In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He will direct thy Paths.

Our Motto: The Golden Rule—"Whosoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

Our Watchwords: Truth and Love; Unity and Peace.

I am confident that, with the help of our eternal Friend, and the aid of our Sisters and Brothers, we will not fail in our efforts to promote Truth and Love; Unity and Peace throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

Our Prayer:

Father guide us patiently
 When each task we find
 Give us strength renewed by Thee
 Keep us pure in mind.
 Send us Thy rich grace
 So divine we pray
 As we yield our souls to Thee
 Lead us all the way.

Sisters and Brothers, it is a real joy to present to you Brother William Nutter, our Worthy Grand Patron.

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH OF BROTHER WILLIAM NUTTER, WORTHY GRAND PATRON

Worthy Grand Matron, Junior Past Matron,
 Junior Past Patron, Distinguished Guests:

Sister Ruth, Junior Past Grand Matron, I would like to express my thanks to you for granting me the privilege of being installed by my dearest friend, Past Grand Matron Sister Elizabeth Pierce. It means a lot to me.

Past Grand Matron Sister Elizabeth Pierce, I wish to thank you from the bottom of my hear for installing me this evening. It will be an evening that I will never forget as long as I live. It is the greatest privilege that can be bestowed upon a brother to be elected and installed as Worthy Grand Patron and to be installed by a Past Grand Matron who has done so much for Delaware Eastern Star history. I am very happy indeed, Sister Elizabeth.

To Past Grand Matron Sister Sarah Rigg— To have you here in the Grand East to install Sister Mary and our Grand Staff of officers makes me very happy for you, too, are a large part of Delaware Eastern

Star history and I am proud to have two outstanding Past Grand Matrons to make our beginning so happy.

To the installing Grand Officers: I wish to thank each of you for your part in the ceremony this evening. To St. John's Chapter, I thank each of you for the privilege of serving as Worthy Patron of our chapter and for standing back of me and encouraging me. Because of your faith in me I am privileged to be here in the Grand East tonight.

To my Mother: It is with a heart full of gratitude for guiding my footsteps in my younger days and for teaching me the right way of living, which has helped me to stand where I do tonight.

To my Mother-in-law: It is Mothers-in-law like you who are so kind and good to sons-in-law that it makes men like me proud and want to go on in life doing noble things and to live a better life. You are certainly an inspiration to me.

Last, but not least, to my wife. Although this is a woman's organization you have certainly stepped back for me, pushing me ahead; staying home at night with our boy so that I might travel with the Grand Officers. I know you have spent many long, lonely nights waiting for me to return from trips down state. You have backed me all the way and through your kindness you have made it possible for me to stand here tonight, for no man can amount to much unless he has a good woman in back of him. I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

To our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary: I feel deeply honored to have the privilege of being in the Grand East with you. I plan to work hand in hand with you and to stand with you in all your undertakings. I know that a great friendship will grow out of our sharing the Grand East together.

To all the members: It is with a heart full of gratitude and happiness that I accept as a sacred trust the most precious gift within the power of this Grand Chapter to bestow upon a brother—the privilege of serving as Worthy Grand Patron for the ensuing year. I am aware that it is not the highest office and that I am not its chief officer; however, in accepting this high office I fully realize the great responsibility that goes with it. In accepting these duties, I accept the confidence you have in me as a sacred trust and I pledge to give you my very best. I want all of you for my friends, I need each one of you so that together we may go ahead and make this year an outstanding one for our Order.

“No man lives to himself alone”

and no Organization can give its best service unless we all work together and now in closing my heart is full and I ask our Heavenly Father for His help that I may give this new station in my life its due justice.

*“My life will touch a hundred lives
Before this year is done;
Leave countless marks for good or ill
'Ere sets the evening sun.*

*So this is the wish I will always wish
The prayer I'll always pray
Lord let my life bless other lives
It touches by the way."*

A school of instruction for Deputy Grand Lecturers and Elected Grand Chapter Officers will be held on May 19 promptly at 7 P. M. in Kent Chapter Room, Harrington, Delaware.

Will the Deputy Grand Lecturers please rise and remain standing until all names have been called.

- Delaware Chapter No. 1
MRS. ELSIE CONLEY 3001 Pennsylvania Ave., Wilmington, Del.
- Mizpah Chapter No. 2
MRS. EDITH GALLOWAY.....318 Delaware Ave., McDaniel Crest, Wilm., Del
- Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
MRS. JACQUELINE KYLE 814 New Road, Elsmere, Wilmington, Del.
- St. John's Chapter No. 4
MRS. ALICE MINNER106 Dale Road, Northfield, Wilmington 3, Del.
- Adah Chapter No. 5
MRS. RITA WILKINSON 509 East Street, Delmar, Del.
- Radiant Chapter No. 6
MRS. KATHRYN MARSHALL104 West 38th Street, Wilmington, Del.
- Sussex Chapter No. 7
MRS. FRANCES TRUITT108 Jewel Street, Delmar, Del.
- Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
MRS. VERA SNEDEKER St. Georges, Del.
- Georgetown Chapter No. 9
MRS. FRANCES WARREN Georgetown, Del.
- Newark Chapter No. 10
MRS. HELEN WELDIE.....2205 Monca Road, Klair Estates, Wilmington, Del.
- Kent Chapter No. 11
MRS. MILDRED SNOWBERGER701 S. Walnut St., Milford, Del.
- Frankford Chapter No. 12
MRS. EDNA JOHNSONDagsboro, Del.
- Five Points Chapter No. 13
MRS. BERTHA SMITH130 N. Connel Street, Wilmington 5, Del.
- Brandywine Chapter No. 14
MISS EDITH SHINN 3123 West Court Street, Claymont, Del.
- Victory Chapter No. 15
MRS. CATHERINE SMITH 220 N. Bradford Street, Dover, Del.
- Unity Chapter No. 16
MRS. RUTH BRYAN119 Washington Ave., Lewes, Del.
- Esther Chapter No. 17
MRS. BESSIE MILES4 Second Ave., Midvale, New Castle, Del.
- Laurel Chapter No. 18
MRS. MINNIE KYTTLECentral Avenue, Laurel, Del.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Credentials:

Mr. Gordon Kyle, Chairman	1 year	(13)
Mrs. Mae T. Ford	2 years	(11)
Mr. Walter O. Bryan	3 years	(16)

Jurisprudence:

Mr. Charles Cleaver, Chairman	1 year	(3)
Mrs. Bessie Warrington	2 years	(9)
Mrs. Ruth Laws	3 years	(13)

Constitution & Laws:

Mr. Robert Larrimore, Chairman	1 year	(8)
Mrs. Irme LeCompte	2 years	(9)
Mr. Norris Tull	3 years	(7)

Chapter under Charters & Dispensations:

Mrs. Marie Burris, Chairman	1 year	(2)
Mr. Groome Mears	2 years	(17)
Mrs. Dorothy Diehl	3 years	(10)

Estarl Fund Committee:

Mr. John LeCompte, Chairman	1 year	(9)
Mrs. Bessie Warrington	2 years	(9)
Mrs. M. Etta Keys	3 years	(1)
Mrs. Helen West	4 years	(12)
Mrs. Alice Abbott	5 years	(10)

Eastern Star Home Fund Committee:

Mrs. Dorothy Quillen, Chairman	1 year	(12)
Mr. John Kennedy	2 years	(15)
Mrs. Dora Fitzgerald	3 years	(5)
Mrs. Marian Craig	4 years	(4)
Mrs. Lillian Larrimore	5 years	(8)

Grievance and Appeals:

Mrs. Eleanor Smith, Chairman	1 year	(6)
Mrs. Marie Roberts	2 years	(11)
Mrs. Edna Johnson	3 years	(12)

Registration:

Mrs. Alma Long, Chairman	1 year	(10)
Mrs. Beneta Meenan	2 years	(3)
Mrs. Thirza Hall	3 years	(18)

Unfinished Business:

Mrs. Frances Truitt, Chairman	(7)
Mrs. Clemmie West	(5)
Mrs. Edith Harcum	(11)

Necrology:

Miss Miriam Ziegler, Chairman	(1)
Mrs. Lorraine Putzier	(13)
Mrs. Lanah Milbourn	(11)
Miss Mildred Bryan	(2)
Mrs. Jeanette Gutzke	(14)
Mrs. Ruth Loveless	(1)
Mr. Ross Lanius	(3)

Printing:

Miss Elizabeth Fisher, Chairman	(4)
Mrs. Ella Cleaver	(3)
Mrs. Edith McLean	(6)

Job's Daughters:

Mrs. Eleanor Tyler, Chairman	(10)
Mrs. Jacqueline Kyle	(13)
Mr. Lloyd Frederick	(14)

Examining:

Mrs. Sara MacNamee, Chairman	(4)
Mrs. Marion Simpson	(2)
Mr. Fred Warrington	(9)

Sessions Committee:

Mrs. Ivah Ostendarp, Chairman	(14)
Mrs. Florence Walls	(1)
Mr. Harold Shaub	(2)
Mrs. Julia Dawson	(3)
Mrs. Dorothy Sweeney	(4)
Mrs. Doris Truitt	(5)
Mrs. Louise Mortlock	(6)
Mr. Edgar Bradley	(7)
Mrs. Marion Kumpel	(8)
Mrs. Minnie Hitchens	(9)
Mrs. Mary Swan	(10)
Miss Catherine Downing	(11)
Mrs. Viola Burton	(12)
Mr. Joseph Ellis	(13)
Mrs. Ruth Layton	(14)
Mrs. Jennie Thompson	(15)
Mrs. Dorothy Larrimore	(16)
Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds	(17)
Mrs. Catherine Ruston	(18)

Hospitality:

Mrs. Sarah Riggin, Chairman	(11)
Mrs. Elvira Ziegler	(1)
Mrs. Clara Reuter	(1)
Mr. Horace Fulmer	(2)

Mr. J. Albert Kumpel	(8)
Mr. Horace Allen	(3)

Veterans' Hospital:

Mrs. Sadie Conly, Chairman	(13)
Mr. John Conley, Co-Chairman	(1)
1956 Associate Matrons of each Chapter	(1)

Special Committees:

Red Cross—Mrs. Blanche Keys	(11)
Masonic Home Church Service—Mr. I. Kendall Gibbs	(15)
Masonic Home Party—Mrs. Mabel Guthrie, Grand Marshal... ..	(16)
Welfare—Mrs. Elvira Ziegler	(1)
International Temple Fund—Mrs. Dora Fitzgerald	(5)
1956 Worthy Matrons of each Chapter	(5)

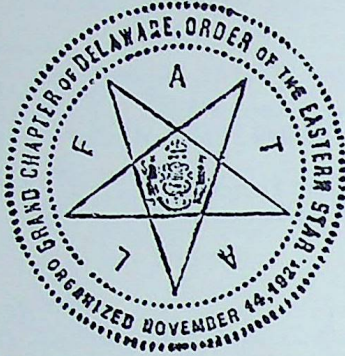
Summer Benefit:

Mrs. Elizabeth E. Pierce, Chairman	(13)
Mrs. Bessie Miles	(8)
Mrs. Ivah Ostendarp	(14)
Mrs. Sadie Conly	(13)
Mrs. Ruth Laws	(13)
Mr. Robert Larrimore	(8)
Mr. George Ostendarp	(14)
Mr. Norris Tull	(7)
Mr. William Nutter	(4)
Mr. John Conley	(1)

OFFICIAL VISITS

June 7th	St. John's Chapter No. 4
June 12th	Laurel Chapter No. 18
September 6th	Newark Chapter No. 10
September 12th	Frankford Chapter No. 12
September 18th	Brandywine Chapter No. 14
September 19th	Esther Chapter No. 17
September 25th	Delaware Chapter No. 1
October 2nd	Radiant Chapter No. 6
October 5th	Georgetown Chapter No. 9
October 8th	Victory Chapter No. 15
October 11th	Caesar Rodney Chapter No. 8
October 15th	Adah Chapter No. 5
October 17th	Kent Chapter No. 11
October 22nd	Julia M. Story Chapter No. 3
November 1st	Sussex Chapter No. 7
November 2nd	Mizpah Chapter No. 2
November 13th	Five Points Chapter No. 13
November 13th	Unity Chapter No. 16

The Thirty-Sixth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Order of the Eastern Star, will convene Monday and Tuesday, May 13th and 14th, 1957 in the Gold Ball Room of the Hotel DuPont, Wilmington, Delaware.



RUTH M. LAWS

Worthy Grand Matron

NORRIS TULL

Worthy Grand Patron

Attest

ELIZABETH M. FISHER

Grand Secretary

This page is dedicated to

The Memory of

OUR BELOVED DEAD

of the

SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF DELAWARE

*"Those who bring beauty to the lives of men
Need no tribute from the recording pen
Their deeds are graven in a place apart
On the enduring tablet of the human heart!"*

In Memory of

THE BELOVED DEAD

of

SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

*“Death comes when the shades of evening
 encircle the aging brow,
 And kissing the cheeks worn and weary, it
 Quietly whispers “Now”
 And dropping the cares of a lifetime
 And laying the earthly aside,
 Our loved ones clothed for that City where
 They will forever abide.
 It may be the Morn or the Evening or Noon
 When death shall come
 But behind the shadow that chills us is hidden
 The face of a Friend
 For Death is one of God’s angels, commissioned
 To gather when sent
 The beautiful souls of Life’s Garden, whose
 days upon earth have been spent.”*

DELAWARE CHAPTER No. 1

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays (except July and August) 7.45 P. M.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Mar. 10, 1914. Date of Charter Apr. 18, 1914

Meets in Odd Fellows Hall, 10th & King Sts.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Ruth Walls, 402 W. 35th St., Wilmington, Del.	Worthy Matron
Mr. Bryan Walls, 402 W. 35th St., Wilmington, Del.	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Adelaide Martin, 608 Euclid Ave., Wilmington, Del.	Associate Matron
Mr. Wm. Tschamber, 518 No. Bancroft Parkway, Wilmington, Del.	Associate Patron
Miss Miriam Ziegler, 20 Clifton Park Dr., Clifton Pk. Mnr., Wil., Del.	Secretary

PAST MATRONS

*Mrs. Julia M. Story, P.G.M.
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 Mrs. Louise W. Green, P.G.M.
 *Mrs. Celia K. Pierson
 *Mrs. Mary N. H. Unruh
 *Mrs. Laura V. McKay
 Mrs. M. Etta Keys, P.G.M.
 *Mrs. Jean H. Kaufman, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Ruth A. Neutze
 ***Mrs. Jeanette L. White
 *Mrs. Estelle Holt
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 **Mrs. Mary E. H. Carpenter
 Mrs. Marguerite D. Pyle
 Mrs. Bertha B. Jones
 Mrs. Bertha B. Williams
 Mrs. Florence Lang Bodamer
 Mrs. Edna Watson Lenderman
 Mrs. Jane Brinton Krauss
 Mrs. Ida N. McGinnis
 *Mrs. Hallie Coleman
 Mrs. Blanche N. Milbourn
 Mrs. Clara A. Reuter, P.G.M.
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 Mrs. Charlotte A. Venn
 Mrs. Eva M. Moulton
 Mrs. Mamie P. Wendling
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 Mrs. Madeline Litchfield
 Mrs. Bertha Kelly
 Mrs. Mildred Kitchen Lee
 Mrs. Helen Helbing
 Mrs. Sophronia Harmon
 Mrs. Elsie Conly
 Miss Miriam Ziegler
 Mrs. Virginia Newth
 Mrs. Margaret Wicks
 Mrs. Florence Walls
 Mrs. Ruth D. Loveless

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*Col. Enoch Moore
 *Frank L. Howard, P.G.P.
 **J. Edward Truitt
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 **William E. Simon
 ***Oscar W. Steigler
 C. Herbert Neutze, P.G.P.
 **Rev. Edmund Stevens
 *William H. Redmile, P.G.P.
 *David J. Jones
 *Frederick Lang, Jr.
 *Charles H. Blaine
 **Cornelius E. Beatty
 *Robert W. Johnson
 *Samuel H. Kaufman
 *Harry H. Stiles
 Harvey Sanderson
 **G. Randall Carpenter
 *Frank P. Keys
 Ferd L. Reuter
 **Calvin M. Whitesall
 Wm. Mutschler
 *Clarence R. Holt
 Percy C. Cotty, P.G.P.
 Wm. D. Venn, Jr.
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 Ferd L. Reuter
 Harry A. Roberts
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 *Robert J. Oliver
 *L. Clark Ziegler
 Percy C. Cotty, P.G.P.
 Raymond Wilhelm
 *Robert J. Oliver
 Otto Helbing
 Walter A. Schuler
 Percy C. Cotty, P.G.P.
 *James Kitchen
 Walter A. Schuler
 Samuel L. Weldie
 John Conley
 Raymond Wilhelm

James K. Shinn, P.P., Demitted from Adah Chapter No. 5

*Deceased

**Dropped

***Demitted

MIZPAH CHAPTER No. 2

Meets First and Third Fridays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Feb. 5, 1918. Date of Charter Apr. 18, 1918

Meets in Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall, 907 Tatnall St.

OFFICERS

Miss Emily B. Crossland, 211 West 21st Street, Wil., Del.	Worthy Matron
Mr. Edward W. Kopp, 2912 Newport Gap Pike, Wilmington 8, Del.	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Adella Ruth, Monterey Farms, Wilmington, Del.	Associate Matron
Mr. Edward A. Ruth, Monterey Farms, Wilmington, Del.	Associate Patron
Mrs. Florence M. Hanby, 401 East Holly Oak Rd., Wilmington, Del.	Secretary

PAST MATRONS

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 ***Mrs. Ethel M. Draine
 *Miss Mary A. Green
 Mrs. Florence P. McCullough
 **Mrs. Carrie H. Wright
 *Mrs. Rose E. Newlin, P.G.M.
 **Mrs. Helen Barrett
 Mrs. Irene Bauer, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Dora B. England
 *Mrs. Sadie C. Ridings
 Mrs. Mary E. Porter
 **Mrs. Edna I. Maloney
 *Mrs. Marie L. Beatty
 Mrs. Isabelle F. Collins
 *Mrs. May A. Heathcote
 Mrs. Mabel M. Gibney
 Mrs. Sarah MacLachlan
 *Mrs. Mary R. Blair
 Mrs. Laura B. Fulmer
 Mrs. Ethel M. Bard
 Mrs. E. Mae Larmore
 Mrs. Virginia Morris
 Mrs. Bella S. Tattersall
 Mrs. Edith M. Dunlop
 Mrs. Myra D. Robinson
 Mrs. Mabel C. Johnston
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 Mrs. Marian Simpson
 Mrs. Ethel Adams
 Mrs. Edna Carter
 Mrs. Marie Burriss
 Miss Mildred Bryan
 Mrs. Emma Wheeler
 Mrs. Edith Galloway
 Mrs. Eliza Crossland
 Mrs. Alice Paulson
 Mrs. Margaret King
 Mrs. Myrtle Shaub

PAST PATRONS

***Burton M. Meyer
 *C. Barker McCullough
 *Harry F. Newlin, P.G.P.
 *George A. Hodgson
 *Jacob R. Koffenberger
 *Oscar D. Ridings
 *Howard E. Sheppard
 *George H. Larrimore
 *Leroy W. Beatty
 ***Sewell K. Lynch
 *George M. Tattersall
 **Harry L. Rash
 **Thomas Heathcote, Jr.
 *George A. Hodgson
 *George A. Hodgson
 *Howard E. Sheppard
 *George M. Tattersall
 *George A. Hodgson
 *Harry F. Newlin, P.G.P.
 Robert M. Rogers, P.G.P.
 Horace K. Fulmer, P.G.P.
 ***Orville M. Steele
 *Leroy W. Beatty
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 Horace K. Fulmer, P.G.P.
 *George M. Tattersall
 Horace K. Fulmer, P.G.P.
 *Leroy Beatty
 Jonathan J. Burriss
 *Leroy Beatty
 Jonathan J. Burriss
 Charles E. Bryan, Jr.
 John Paulson
 John E. King
 Harold G. Shaub
 John Paulson
 John King
 Harold Shaub

JULIA M. STORY CHAPTER No. 3

Meets Second and Fourth Mondays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Mar. 11, 1918. Date of Charter July 22, 1918

Meets in Odd Fellows Building, 10th and King Sts., Wilmington, Del.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Julia Dawson, 233 So. Union St., Wilmington, Del.	Worthy Matron
Mr. Charles V. Cleaver, 708 W. 27th St., Wilmington, Del.	Worthy Patron
Mrs. Elaine Watson, 1823 Lovering Ave., Wilmington, Del.	Associate Matron
Mr. Joseph F. Dawson, 233 So. Union St., Wilmington, Del.	Associate Patron
Mrs. Mabel L. Nixon, 120 Champlain Ave., Wilmington, Del.	Secretary

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Amy E. Meyer, P.G.M.
 *Mrs. Lilly Ann H. Pyle
 Mrs. Ann T. Hamilton
 *Deceased

PAST PATRONS

***Rev. Thos. V. Wingate
 *Robert S. Wood
 *Elhanan B. Wilson, P.G.P.
 ***Demitted

**Dropped

- Miss Fannie W. Brown
 ***Mrs. Violet A. Rush
 **Mrs. Jennie M. Hill
 Mrs. Annabelle Sauter, P.G.M.
 ***Mrs. Alberta E. Stewart
 Mrs. Helen C. E. Brown
 *Mrs. Myrtle C. Nesbitt, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Catherine B. Jones
 Mrs. Beulah G. Backus
 *Mrs. Elizabeth P. Frederick
 *Mrs. Ellen H. Robinson
 *Mrs. Beatrice C. Nah
 Mrs. Frances M. Shorter
 Mrs. E. Lillian Miller
 Mrs. Mabel L. Nixon
 Mrs. Ella F. Cleaver
 Mrs. Helen R. Anderson
 Mrs. Mary P. Frame
 Mrs. Harriet V. Scott
 *Mrs. Alice M. Jones
 *Miss Martha M. White
 Mrs. Marian Frederick
 Mrs. Beneta L. Meenan
 Mrs. Jean B. Cottman
 Mrs. Ruth V. Jenkins
 Mrs. Mabel Stirlith
 Mrs. May Pople
 Mrs. Phoebe E. Sharpley
 Mrs. Sara Schafer
 Mrs. Sylvia M. Knox
 Mrs. Bessie Borglin
 Mrs. Katherine Schroeder
 Mrs. Edith Zeyher
 Mrs. Virginia Moore
 Mrs. Isabelle Allen
 Mr. James Duncan, P.G.P., Demitted to organize Five Points No. 13.
- ***Fred Macklin
 *Andrew Cathcart
 Dr. Jay W. Miller, P.G.P.
 *John Frederick, P.G.P.
 ***James Duncan, P.G.P.
 ***James Duncan, P.G.P.
 Ellsworth L. Jones
 **William L. Nixon
 *John Frederick, P.G.P.
 Ellsworth L. Jones
 Dr. Jay W. Miller, P.G.P.
 ***J. Calvin Hastings
 E. Everett Ragan
 Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.
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 Ellsworth L. Jones
 William L. Meenan
 **William L. Nixon
 Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.
 *Harlan L. Cloud, P.G.P.
 William L. Meenan
 Charles V. Cleaver, P.G.P.
 *Harlan L. Cloud, P.G.P.
 Wm. L. Meenan
 *Harlan L. Cloud, P.G.P.
 Joseph E. Nesbitt
 Joseph N. Borglin
 William Meenan
 Charles E. Sharpley
 Joseph Borglin
 Ross Lanius
 William Meenan
 Charles E. Sharpley
 Horace Allen

ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER No. 4

Meets First and Third Thursdays (except July & August & First Thursday in Sept.)
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter Nov. 18, 1918. Date of Charter Mar. 28, 1919
 Meets in Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall, 907 Tatnall St.

OFFICERS

- Mrs. Margaret O. Holloway, 315 W. 36th St., Wilmington, Del..... Worthy Matron
 Mr. Claude Sweeney, 111C Robert Lane, Monroe Pk..... Acting Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Dorothy Corkran, 9 Prince Ave., Swanwyck, New Castle, Del... Associate Matron
 Associate Patron
 Mrs. Dorothy D. Sweeney, 111C Robert Lane, Monroe Park, Wil., Del..... Secretary

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- Mrs. Mattie Pyle Horn, P.G.M.
 *Mrs. Bertha M. Smith, P.G.M.
 *Mrs. Minnie A. Riley
 Mrs. Mary M. Clower, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Sara S. MacNamee, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Hattie Wainwright
 *Mrs. Martha J. McMullen
 Mrs. Alice D. Allbrittain
 *Mrs. Bertha E. M. Harrar
 Mrs. Anna G. Hirlinger
 *Mrs. Margaret Peters
 Mrs. Helen B. Money
 Miss Elizabeth M. Woodrow
 *Miss K. Isabel Krause
 Mrs. Madeline D. Bailey
- *Stuart J. Horn
 *Harvey F. Smith
 *Alfred M. Clower, P.G.P.
 *Willard T. Loreman
 *Frank G. Bartram
 *Frank L. Harrar, P.G.P.
 *Nicholas A. Grubb
 *George E. Hirlinger
 *Horace K. Brown
 *Grover C. MacNamee, P.G.P.
 *Herbert D. Peters
 **J. Paul Adams
 *Charles T. Wainwright
 *Edward J. Livermore
 ***Elmer D. Howell

*Deceased

**Dropped

***Demitted

Mrs. Elva W. Lang
 Mrs. Jane Griffith
 **Mrs. Anne Stout
 *Mrs. Elizabeth E. George
 Miss Elizabeth M. Fisher
 *Mrs. Bella B. Gray
 Mrs. Mary A. Fiorelli
 *Mrs. Florence G. Craig
 **Mrs. Ella V. Smack
 Mrs. Emma G. Thomas
 **Mrs. Maude G. Ames
 Mrs. Lois Ayres
 Mrs. Alice Minner
 Mrs. Olivia Enright
 *Mrs. Helen Camperson
 Mrs. Isabelle Minto
 Mrs. Marian J. Craig
 Mrs. Susan Cardwell
 Miss Laurel Erdman
 Mrs. Grace Allen
 Mrs. Ruth Nutter
 Mrs. Dorothy D. Sweeney

**Frederick Stout, P.G.P.
 J. Harry Allbrittain
 *George E. Hirlinger
 *Grover C. MacNamee, P.G.P.
 Joseph T. Maxwell
 *Alfred T. Crossland
 *Willard T. Loreman
 **Frederick Stout, P.G.P.
 *Harry B. Murdock
 J. Harry Allbrittain
 *Willard T. Loreman
 J. Harry Allbrittain
 W. D. Ayres
 Eugene Hackendorn
 Jacob S. Allen, Jr.
 J. Harry Allbrittain
 Jacob S. Allen, Jr.
 John F. Campbell
 John Crossland
 William Nutter
 J. Harry Allbrittain
 John F. Campbell

ADAH CHAPTER No. 5—DELMAR

Meets First and Third Mondays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.

Instituted under General Grand Chapter Sept. 3, 1918. Date of Charter Dec. 31, 1918

Meets in Masonic Temple, Delmar, Md.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Ethel D. Hudson, 303 Chestnut St., Delmar, Del. Worthy Matron
 Mr. Ralph A. Baker, 300 Maryland Ave., Delmar, Del. Worthy Patron
 Mrs. Louise B. Truitt, 708 Grove St., Delmar, Del. Associate Matron
 Mr. Joseph Maitha, 502 Jewell St., Delmar, Del. Associate Patron
 Mrs. Mabel Venables, Box 405, Delmar, Del. Secretary

PAST MATRONS

Mrs. Susie Marsh
 *Mrs. Anna T. Ellis
 *Miss Rose L. Freeny
 *Mrs. Fannie V. Hickman
 *Mrs. Annie S. Parker
 *Mrs. Lelah H. Freeny
 Mrs. Irma Baker Barr, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Charlotte Lear
 *Mrs. Flora Culver
 Mrs. Ella Carmine
 *Mrs. Anna D. Peters
 *Mrs. Anna Lee Waller
 Mrs. Dora Fitzgerald, P.G.M.
 Mrs. Mattie E. Kirk
 Mrs. Blanche L. Melson
 *Mrs. Alice P. Hutchinson
 Mrs. Daisy B. Dunn
 Mrs. Mattie W. Ritchie
 Mrs. Maria Lobdell
 Mrs. Mary L. Nichols
 Mrs. Bertha G. Marvel
 Mrs. Addie Mae Snowden
 Mrs. Georgia G. Jones
 Mrs. Annie O. Elliott
 Mrs. Mabel R. Hearne
 Mrs. Hettie P. Hall
 Mrs. E. Paris Bounds

*Deceased

PAST PATRONS

**Joshua Ellegood
 *Harry T. Hickey, P.G.P.
 J. Albert Hearn
 *James H. Conway
 **Ira F. Hearn
 Thomas H. Esham
 Wm. F. Hickey
 Carroll S. Barr
 *Samuel M. Ellis
 Victor J. Carmine, P.G.P.
 ***James K. Shinn
 **Paul K. Ellis
 *Walter H. Whyland
 Ralph A. Baker
 *Paul K. Ellis
 Ralph E. Nichols
 Levin R. Lowe
 Ralph E. Nichols
 Ralph A. Baker
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 *David J. Snowden
 Ralph A. Baker
 Ralph E. Nichols
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 Ralph A. Baker

***Demitted

**Dropped

Mrs. Clemmie C. West
 Mrs. Ida C. Lowe
 Mrs. Rita C. Wilkinson
 Mrs. Mabel Venables
 Mrs. Margie Stokes
 Miss Dorothea Werner
 Mrs. Marian L. Hearn
 Mrs. Sara E. Mitchell
 Mrs. Doris E. Truitt
 Mrs. Anna Hudson

Ralph E. Nichols
 Ralph Baker
 Ralph Nichols
 Robert Vincent
 Ralph Baker
 Ralph Nichols
 Paul R. Lowe, Jr.
 Ralph Nichols
 Ralph Baker
 Ralph Nichols

James K. Shinn demitted to join Delaware Chapter No. 1.

RADIANT CHAPTER No. 6

Meets First and Third Tuesday (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under General Grand Chapter Oct. 29, 1919. Date of Charter Jan. 17, 1920
 Meets in Odd Fellows' Bldg., 10th & King Sts.

OFFICERS

Mrs. Mary L. Ellison, 417 Howell Dr., Collins Pk., New Castle, Del.....Worthy Matron
 Mr. Elwood T. Marshall, 104 West 38th St., Wilmington, Del.....Worthy Patron
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 Mrs. Elva R. Curry
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 Mrs. Katherine P. Marshall
 Mrs. Beda H. Lentz
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 Mrs. Florence Ballard
 Mrs. Elizabeth M. Heinel
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 Mrs. Bessie Miles
 ***Miss Elizabeth Foster
 ***Mrs. Odell Guy
 Mrs. Grace S. Moore
 Mrs. Ruth Steele

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 **William G. Gebhart
 *Edward S. Bratton
 *Edward S. Bratton
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GEORGETOWN CHAPTER No. 9

Meets First and Third Fridays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Jun. 19, '23. Date of Charter Apr. 26, '24
 Meets in V. F. W. Hall, Depot St., Georgetown, Del.

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 Theodore Jester
 Herbert Von Goerress
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 Emerson Keeler

NEWARK CHAPTER No. 10—NEWARK

Meets First and Third Thursdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Institute 1 under Grand Chapter of Delaware Apr. 23, '25. Date of Charter Dec. 5, '25
 Meets in Masonic Temple, Newark, Del.

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 Dr. Charles Schultheiss, 403 Capital Trail, RD 3, Newark, Del. Associate Patron
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KENT CHAPTER No. 11—HARRINGTON

Meets First and Third Wednesdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Apr. 17, '26. Date of Charter Apr. 16, '27
 Meets in Century Club Bldg., Harrington, Del.

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FRANKFORD CHAPTER No. 12—FRANKFORD

Meets Second and Fourth Wednesdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Jan. 25, '28. Date of Charter Apr. 21, '28
 Meets in Fire Hall, Millville, Del.

OFFICERS

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Mrs. Florence Burbage, Ocean View, Del.	Secretary

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 Mrs. Helen C. West, P.G.M.
 *Mrs. Jennie B. Ruark
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 Gardner L. Thomas
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 *Mrs. Hilda B. Jones
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 George Mitchell
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 Stephan Evans
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FIVE POINTS CHAPTER No. 13—NEWPORT, DEL.

Meets Second and Fourth Thursdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Feb. 6, '30. Date of Charter May 21, '30
 Meets in Masonic Hall, Newport, Del.

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 Mrs. Lorraine T. Putzier
 Mrs. Ruth Laws
 Mrs. May M. Payne
 Mrs. Jane White
 Mrs. Vera Hughes
 Mrs. Bertha Smith
 Mrs. Margaret Wilkinson
 Mrs. Jacqueline Kyle
 Mrs. Helen Weldie
 Mrs. Jane Livermore

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 *George Walker
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 *George D. Baldwin
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 W. Pierce Laws
 Paul Fleming
 Raymond Smith
 Richard Welsh
 Henry T. Miller
 Alvin Rementer
 Edward F. Livermore
 Samuel Richeson
 Gordon Kyle
 Calvin M. Weldie
 Joseph Ellis

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BRANDYWINE CHAPTER No. 14

Meets First and Third Tuesdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware May 4, '37. Date of Charter Dec. 7, '37
 Meets in Blue Rock Club House, Brandywine Blvd., Gordon Heights

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 Cheston McCormick, P.G.P.
 *Walter Gehret

VICTORY CHAPTER No. 15—DOVER

Meets Second and Fourth Mondays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware May 13, '42. Date of Charter Dec. 10, '42
 Meets in Century Club On the Green, Dover, Del.

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 Mrs. Ann B. Cleaves
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 Robert Slaughter
 John Saxton
 I. Kendall Gibbs
 Earl D. Smith
 *Robert E. Chambers
 Joseph Miller
 Richard E. Chambers
 William R. Chambers

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UNITY CHAPTER No. 16—LEWES

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Mar. 20, '46. Date of Charter Oct. 29, '46
 Meets in Presbyterian Church, Lewes, Del.

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ESTHER CHAPTER No. 17—MIDDLETOWN

Meets First and Third Wednesdays (except July and August) 8:00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware Sept. 27, '50. Date of Charter May 2, '51
 Meet in Bethesda Hall, Bethesda Methodist Church, E. Main St., Middletown, Del.

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 Groome Mears
 E. Martin Mitchell

LAUREL CHAPTER No. 18—LAUREL

Meets Second and Fourth Tuesdays (except July and August) 8.00 P. M.
 Instituted under Grand Chapter of Delaware April 4, 1952
 Meets in Friendship Hall of Centenary Methodist Church, Laurel, Delaware

OFFICERS

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 Mrs. Thirza Hall
 Mrs. Catherine Rustin

PAST PATRONS

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 William E. Hall
 William E. Hall
 Albert E. Quillen

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